

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Motives Obscure

FOR the moment the value and import of Russia's unexpected agreement to the proposal to take part in four-power talks must be treated with caution. It possesses one merit: no impossible pre-conditions are laid down, and so far as one can see there is now no reason why a meeting in Berlin should not eventually take place. Interesting as what precisely has dictated this sudden decision on the part of the Kremlin. The motives may be perfectly sincere and above-board, yet the significance of timing cannot be ignored. The Bermuda Big Three talks are due to begin at the end of next week, while a new political crisis in France has only narrowly been averted over the question of ratifying the European Defence Community treaty. Both events offer themselves for exploitation on the part of Russia. Her refusal, hitherto, to give the slightest linking that she is interested in Big Four discussions is one of the reasons which prompted the Bermuda conference; whereas by this last-minute offer to join the Western Powers in round-table talks she may feel she can undermine the basic purpose of the Bermuda meeting.

UNDOUBTEDLY, however, what worries Russia most at this time is the likelihood of the European Defence Community pact being ratified by all of the signatories, and thereafter put into effectual motion. In the long run Russia would probably go to any lengths to ensure the treaty being sabotaged, and she may well believe that by accepting the Big Three invitation to talks on European problems she will succeed at least in delaying full ratification. That there are ulterior motives behind the Kremlin's sudden change of heart it is hard, indeed, to disbelieve. What otherwise has kindled the Kremlin's sudden willingness to set aside its insistent demands that Communist China should share in Big Four talks on European issues? Whatever the reasons they will not succeed in setting aside the main purpose of the Bermuda meeting, nor, we believe, prevent ratification of EDC.

Text Of Russian Note On Four-Power Talks

WARNS QUESTION OF 5-NATION PARLEYS WILL BE RAISED

London, Nov. 27. The text of the Soviet note handed over to the Big Three Western envoys in Moscow yesterday, in reply to the Western proposal for a Big Four meeting on Germany, was transmitted to Russian local newspapers by Tass, the official Soviet news agency, tonight.

The Soviet note said: (Tass gave the text of the note to France, identical to those sent to Britain and the United States).

"The Soviet Government confirms the receipt of the note of the French Government of November 10, which is a reply to the Soviet Government's note of November 5. The French Government says that the Government of the USSR seems to have rejected the proposal for a conference of Foreign Ministers on the most urgent international problems. Such a statement does not conform to reality and is in glaring contradiction to what was said by the Soviet Government in its note of November 5.

"As is known, in its note the Soviet Government not only did not reject the proposal of the French Government of November 10, but also invited the Foreign Ministers of France, Britain, the United States, China and the USSR to a meeting of the Foreign Ministers on the most urgent international problems.

"The Soviet Government has proposed to summon a conference of Foreign Ministers of France, Britain, the United States, China and the USSR for the discussion of measures designed to ease tension in international relations and to discuss the German question, and to summon a meeting of the Foreign Ministers of France, Britain, the USA and the USSR to discuss the question of the German problem, including all the proposals advanced in the course of the preparation for the conference.

"The Soviet Government considers it necessary to recall that it has put forward its proposal of the calling of a conference of Foreign Ministers more than once in the past few months—namely on August 4, September 28 and November 3.

"Thus, the Soviet Government consistently insisted on the calling of a conference of Foreign Ministers to examine the general question of measures to ease tension in international relations and especially the German question, the

settlement of which is most closely bound up with security in Europe and consequently, with the easing of tension in the international situation. "At the present moment the Government of the USSR deems it necessary that such a meeting be summoned. In the opinion of the Soviet Government it does not need to be limited to discussing one particular question but rather should have the opportunity of considering the most important international problems.

COMMON STRIVING

"The proposal of the Soviet Government to call a meeting of the Foreign Ministers of France, Britain, the United States, the Soviet Union and the Chinese People's Republic for the discussion of measures to be taken in order to diminish international tension and also to have the German question reviewed by the Foreign Ministers of France, Britain, the United States and the Soviet Union, is permeated by the common striving to bring about a relaxation of international tension and in particular by the desire to secure the stable security of Europe, which demands the final solution of the German problem.

"The French Government in its note also advises the Soviet Government of its endeavour to ease the international tension and on this occasion refers to the German problem, the problem of concluding an agreement on the convocation of the political conference in Korea as the most urgent international problems.

"Already the mere listing of the above mentioned problems shows that the French Government, reviewing the most urgent international problems to be discussed at the meeting of Foreign Ministers, focuses its attention on problems concerning both Europe and Asia.

"Since the French Government has acknowledged that the meeting of Foreign Ministers should discuss also problems concerning Asia, it follows that the participation of the Chinese People's Republic—on a par with the four great powers—in discussing and settling such problems is essential and inescapable.

"OBVIOUS FACT"

"At the same time, there are no grounds for denying the obvious fact that the time is now ripe to examine measures to ease international tension as a whole, an aim to which are directed the constant efforts of the Soviet Government.

"This means that a meeting of the Foreign Ministers of France, Britain, the United States, the USSR and the Chinese People's Republic cannot be delayed any further.

"Precisely because the need to discuss the problem of taking the necessary measures leading to a relaxation of international tension has not only grown but can no longer be delayed, the Soviet Government has considered and still considers it necessary to convene a meeting of the representatives of the great powers without any exclusion.

"As the French Government also states that it wants to co-operate in order to help relax international tension, it should also desire the convening of a meeting of the five powers: France, Britain, the USA, the USSR and the Chinese People's Republic.

"From this also follows the lack of foundation of the objections made by the French Government in its note of November 10. "The Soviet Government confirms its proposal put forward in its note of November 3 concerning the question of convening a meeting of foreign ministers.

OPENS DOORS WIDE

"The Government of the USSR again states that the plans for the creation of a so-called European Army open wide the doors to the resurgence of German militarism and to the remilitarisation of Western Germany as well as leading to the establishment on the territory of several European states of foreign military bases which present a threat to the security of other European states and contradict the interests of security in Europe.

"The Soviet Government rejects as deprived of all foundation the allegations contained in the note sent by the French Government on November 10 claiming that the unfavourable attitude of the Soviet Government to the establishment of a European Army represents in itself a demand that France, Britain and the United States should give up all planning for their own security though the position of the USSR, as stated in the Soviet note, does not touch upon the question of the armed forces of these states.

"The statements made for obvious propaganda purposes—that an allegedly defenceless Western Europe seems to be the price the Soviet Union is demanding for her participation in the conference—appears to have as little foundation as the above.

"As is known under the name of 'European Army' an attempt is being made to create an army of six states: France, Western Germany, Italy, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg. This plan provides for the creation of an army of a small group of Western powers which does not include the majority of European countries of Europe.

"At the same time the principal aim of the creation of the European Army is to make possible the restoring of a regular army in Western Germany by the inclusion of the West German basic military force in the said European force. The creation of the European Army is being supported in all ways by yesterday's Hitlerites and other German seekers of revenge, who pursuing their aggressive aims, are striving to prepare the unleashing of a new war and to drag into it not only the German people but also other peoples of Europe, as the creation of a European Army will be forced on them.

"Such a plan for the creation of the European Army must be understood by all nations of Europe including those countries which at present are drawn into forming this army, a clear attempt to rebuild under the cover of the so-called European Army the armed forces of German imperialism.

"The creation of the European Army cannot mean anything else, but the building of such an aggressive group of a few European countries which are based on armed forces, including the West German revanchist army, set against some other European countries—the USSR, Poland, Czechoslovakia and other nations.

"Thus the plan to create a European Army cannot serve to secure peace in Europe. Such a plan will set one part of Europe against the other.

"This cannot lead to easing the tension in international relations, but on the contrary it will contribute to the increasing tensions among the countries of Europe, by intensifying the danger of new military adventures.

WAR DANGER

"Therefore, the creation of the European Army, by letting loose the forces of the German militarism—the most dangerous for the cause of peace in Europe—will keep alive the danger of a new world war, a fact which the peace loving peoples of the world cannot fail to take into consideration.

"Opposing the so-called 'European Army,' the Soviet Government starts from the premise that the creation of such an army, far from contributing to the consolidation of security in Europe, will ultimately lead to the opposite results.

"The creation of such an army has nothing to do with any effort to prevent Western Europe from being defenceless (Contd. on Back Page Col. 5)

Many Holiday Accidents

Chicago, Nov. 27. Thanksgiving Day accidents killed 103 persons in the nation, including 122 in traffic accidents, according to United Press tabulations today. In addition to the traffic toll, 41 persons died in miscellaneous mishaps. There were no aeroplane crash victims. California led the states with 12 deaths, New York and Illinois recorded 10, Florida had nine and Ohio eight—United Press.

THE QUEEN SAILS FOR N. ZEALAND

Kingston, Jamaica, Nov. 27.

Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh sailed from Kingston today in the liner Gothia on their way to New Zealand and Australia.

A huge crowd waved and cheered as the Gothia steamed slowly out of the harbour.

Local yachts sailed past the liner giving the Queen and Duke a farewell salute.

The Royal visitors had boarded the Gothia about an hour before departure time.

The sea was calm and blue, but the sky was overcast.

Before boarding the ship, the Queen inspected a guard of honour.

INVESTITURE

Earlier in the day she had held her first investiture outside Britain, conferring honours on a number of Jamaicans in the cool, spacious chapel of the ancient Bishop's Palace here.

Among those present at the ceremony was a former police constable, 28-year-old Clarence Johnson, who received the King's commendation for brave conduct in helping to rescue 20 people marooned on an island during Jamaica's floods in October 1950.

The first of the 12 men and two women to be invested was Mr. Kenneth O'Connor, Chief Justice of Jamaica, who was made a Knight Bachelor in the 1952 birthday honours.

The Queen, who was not accompanied by the Duke, spoke to each recipient for a few moments and smiled to the relatives of those she had honoured before leaving the room.

Early this morning, tropical rain prevented the Duke of Edinburgh playing a game of polo on the last day of the Royal visit to Jamaica.—Reuter.

"LITTLE SIX" MEETING

Paris, Nov. 27. French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault announced after the vote in the National Assembly that he will leave tonight for The Hague for the meeting of the "Little Six" Foreign Ministers.—Reuter.

Want Atrocities Condemned

United Nations, Nov. 27. The United States will call upon the United Nations to condemn atrocities against captured troops and civilian population by Communist forces in Korea, but will not demand an investigation, informed sources said today.—United Press.

Korean Problem To Come Before The UN Assembly

New York, Nov. 27.

Mr V. K. Krishna Menon, leader of the Indian delegation, said today that he would bring the Korean problem before the present session of the United Nations General Assembly ended, but he did not believe that detailed debate at this stage would be helpful.

The Assembly is due to finish on December 8. At the same time, Mr Menon referred to the Soviet Union's agreement to the Big Four Foreign Ministers' conference and said he hoped it would be the beginning of a "new adventure toward peace."

Mr Menon referred to both subjects when he explained in the Assembly's Political Committee India's vote on the Soviet "peace package" proposal, which the Committee rejected yesterday.

India abstained on most of the operative provisions of the resolution, but voted in favour of a clause which asked—the Assembly to recognize that the establishment of overseas military bases increased the threat of a new world war and operated to undermine the national sovereignty and independence of states.

This provision was rejected along with all the other proposals in the Soviet resolution.

Mr Menon said that the Indian delegation still considered that, in the complex situation in the world, the meeting on a high level of the four powers mainly concerned, although not necessarily the exclusive method, was one of the factors which would bring relief.

HEARTENING

"We must all be happy and heartened to read in the newspapers this morning that now an opportunity has arisen by the announcement by Moscow that there is some progress regarding a meeting of the four powers," he said.

"We must all hope and retain the faith that this will be the beginning of a new adventure towards peace."

Regarding Korea, Mr Menon said, "I should like to say to the Committee that we shall take appropriate opportunity before the conclusion of the Committee's proceedings to suggest the consideration of the Korean problem in the context of events then existing, of which none of us can be certain at this moment."

Mr Menon said that India's desire to see the armistice agreement converted into a settlement as speedily as possible and "our concern with the problem arising from the repatriation agreement and the responsibilities which my country carries, moves us deeply."

"But," he added, "I do not think a detailed debate at this particular moment is likely to assist us in the purposes we have."

Explaining India's vote for the Soviet proposal on foreign

bases, Mr Menon said, "My country is deeply concerned for its own sake, and for the sake of the world, at the existence of the apparatus of war in greater and greater regions. They are likely to have reactions on the countries which provided for them and the countries on which they are based, and the whole of the area. While we do not desire at this stage to carry this issue any further, we thought it was our duty to register our views in the mildest manner possible in the matter."

Mr Menon said the Indian delegation abstained on the remaining operative paragraphs of the Soviet resolution, "because they had no purpose or content, but due to the fact that these are matters which relate to the detail and mechanism and implementation of peaceful measures and of disarmament as a whole, which must be considered in the Disarmament Commission."—Reuter.

GENERALS CONVICTED

Seoul, Nov. 27.

Two South Korean Generals in the Defence Ministry were convicted of bribery today and sentenced to three months in prison plus dishonourable discharge.

The case involved money allegedly received from a soy sauce company supplying the ROK Army.

A military court convicted Brigadier-General Kim Chung-ho, chief of the Ministry's finance section and brother-in-law of ROK Prime Minister Park To-chin. The other one was Major-General Chung Chin-wan.

Several other lesser officers received similar sentences. In another military trial, an industrial South Korean legislator, one time close associate of President Syngman Rhee, was charged with harbouring a criminal and embezzlement.

Yang Woo-jung, publisher of the newspaper Yonhap Shimun, was charged with harbouring associate editor Chung Kwan who is under investigation.—United Press.



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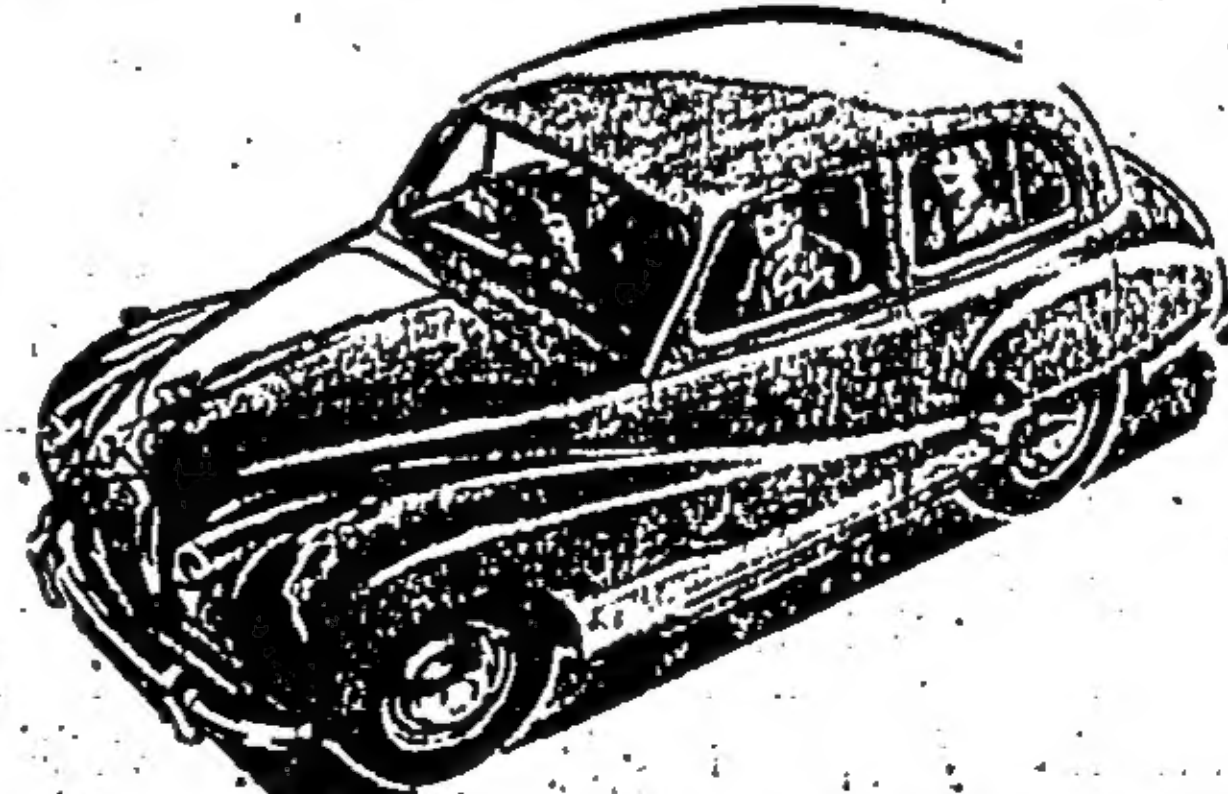


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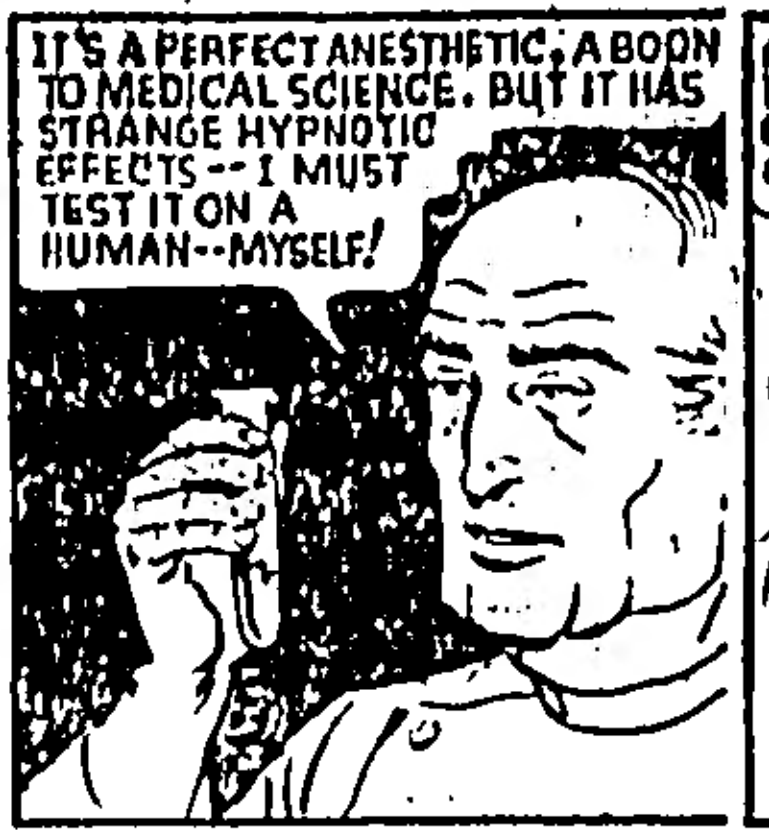
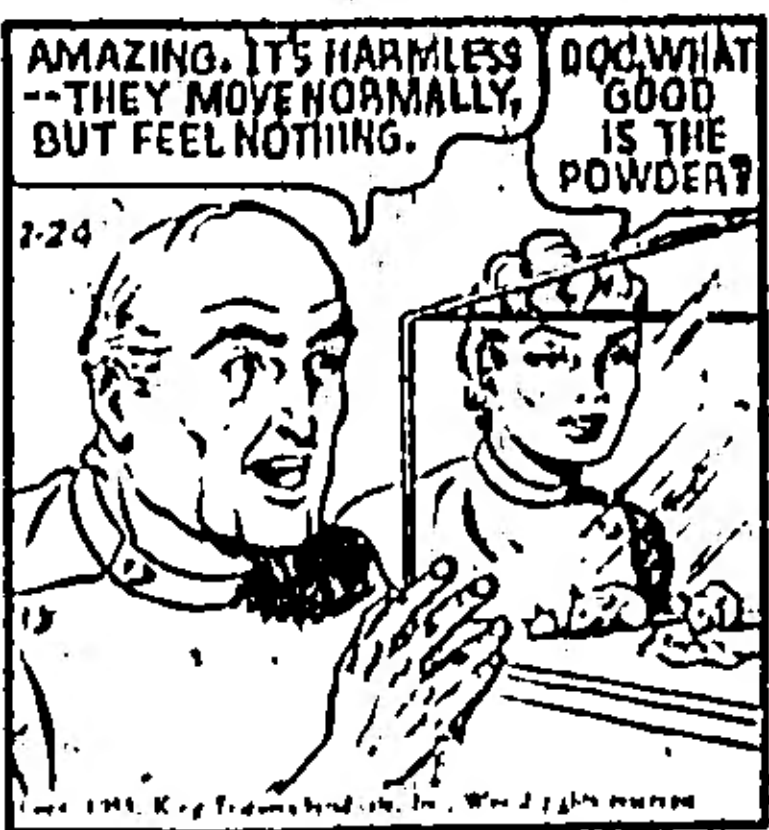
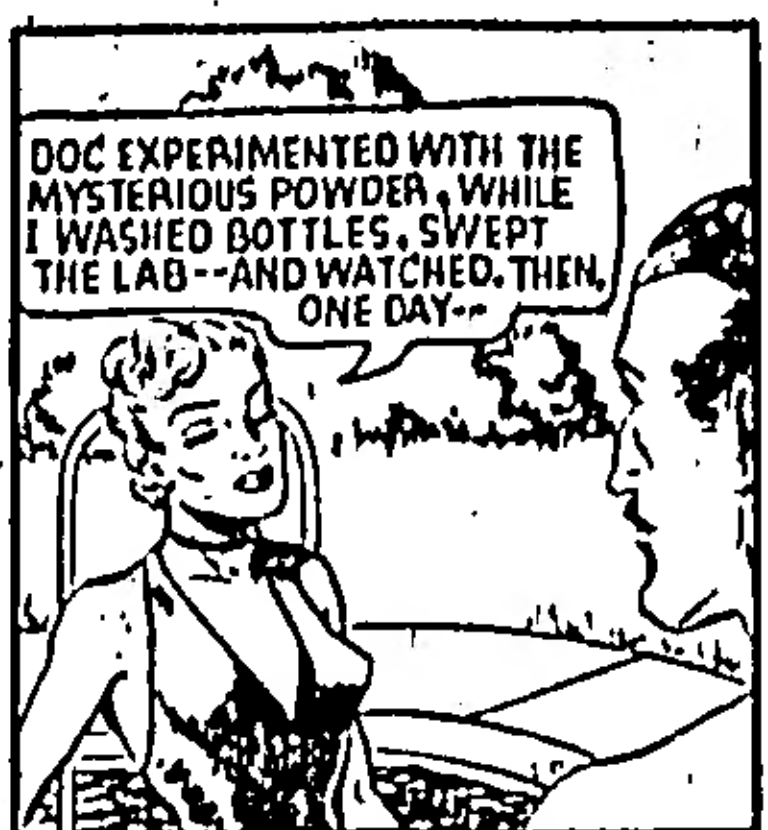
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FILMS—CURRENT AND COMING

By MARGARET BRUCE

Judging by my film correspondence, Cinemascope has swung into full control at Warner Bros at any rate. They have a singularly interesting line-up of both stars and stories for this new and vital step forward in screen entertainment. I am particularly interested in it as the possible transference of lifeblood necessary for the cinema, as such, to meet the menace of television.

Judy Garland, Doris Day, James Mason, John Wayne, are some of the star names involved. Also Gregory Peck, who plans to appear in a new version of "MOBY DICK." A fishy choice, I think. They should keep Mr. Peck off the ocean now (having proved himself seaworthy as Hornblower). Or at any rate out of those nasty, dirty polo-necked sweaters. Surely his charm is more aesthetic?

I'm delighted to hear that Sir Walter Scott's classic of the Crusades, "THE TALISMAN," is being made with George Sanders as Richard Coeur de Lion, and Rex Harrison as the Saracen.

I shall be a turned-out there, I can see. Disney's "ROB ROY" has had its premiere in London, and we must hope to see it soon. I am rapidly being persuaded to the opinion that Scott was a very fine film script-writer. He's a master of movement, action and romance as you saw in "IVANHOE." At the time I said it "wasn't Scott." Well, of course, that's just what it was—in essence—with the padding of redundant words deleted.

"EAST OF EDEN," John Steinbeck's current best-seller, should prove another worthwhile production. And "HELEN OF TROY" will, no doubt, offer ample opportunities to whoever happens to be the face at the moment. Presumably they will remember that it was her face?

"DANIEL AND THE WOMEN OF BABYLON," is a title that catches my eye, too. I'd always heard his name mentioned in connection with lions, but, of course, he must have had his off-duty hours.

ANOTHER GUINNESS

Last week I'm afraid I raised your hopes with the news that "JULIUS CAESAR" was "forthcoming." Well, apparently its exact moment of coming forth is a secret that the management of the CAPITOL and LIBERTY keep even from themselves.

However, we must not judge them too harshly, because, immediately following the successful run of "SOMBREIRO" they are bringing us "THE CAPTAIN'S PARADISE."

Anyone who has seen Alec Guinness in comedy—"KIND HEARTS AND CROWNED HEADS," "THE LAVENDER HILL MURDER" or "THE CARD"—will need no warning, not to miss this, his latest.

He plays the part of the Captain of a ferry boat that plies between Gibraltar and North Africa. In Gibraltar he's sedately married to Celia Johnson, an excellent cook and housewife, but in Kallik he's otherwise engaged, with Yvonne de Carlo, a woman of very different (but varied) interests! Thus our Captain gets the best of both worlds. However they both have a change of heart, and life no longer runs smoothly.

I can tell you the rough outline of the story, but I can't begin to convey the brilliance of the comedy as handled by these three artists. Don't miss this film, it's a tonic. A sheer saucy delight. It should be seen.

FANTASTIC HOAX

The EMPIRE may still be showing "THE MAN WITH MY FACE," a United Artists film starring Barry Nelson in a double-identity role. Filmed in Puerto Rico, this is an unusual, though somewhat indigestible, mystery-thriller about a fantastic hoax in which a man finds himself ousted from his home and family by a crook who looks like him, and also addled with the crime. The best acting comes from a Bohemian Pinscher. They follow this up with "PONY EXPRESS," when

they'll be joined by the KING'S and PRINCESS. One gets so satiated by Westerns that there is a tendency to flinch at the word. This is a Western.

It's cowboys and Indians and Buffalo Bill. I'm not fooling. William Cody himself. Played with considerable charm by Charles Heston. He brings such sincerity and life to the part that he alone lifts the film out of a rut. But I also liked it as an honest tribute to the brave men who started riding Pony Express across the United States, linking the East and West, on horseback, by the fantastically small bracket of ten days.

Rhonda Fleming is a joy to look upon, and there is a great appeal in the fact that (with everything else coloured) she wears nothing but black and white. With her own glorious colouring this is remarkably effective. Too effective to be thrown away on a role that cannot hope to be one of her greatest.

However, I sincerely enjoyed this story, for it has a tale to tell.

After "PONY EXPRESS," the KING'S plan to show "THE 5,000 FINGERS OF DR. T," as I said last week. This is to have the new Stereophonic sound as well as being a "Wonderama." A feature so new that no one appears to know exactly what it is. I look forward to finding out.

The PRINCESS bring back an old film, but a good one "THE BLACK NAUFRAG." This stars Deborah Kerr and the young Jean Simmons. Don't miss it if you haven't already seen it.

"SECOND CHANCE," at the LEE and GREAT WORLD, I reviewed last week. You'll enjoy the 8-dimensional Andes scenery, and have an exciting trip on a cable car.

They are having on GUNSMOKE after that. This comes, I fancy, under the heading of "travesty." It's full of action, if that's what you're after.

Audie Murphy, who for some reason is very popular, is cast as a gunman who has just got in time to defeat the greedy frontier gang and get the girl (Susan Cabot).

It is fortunate indeed that Mr Murphy proves just as popular with one of the villains as with the fans, because it saves his life when there was literally no other way out for the script-writers.

EXOTIC BALDERDASH

Arlene Dahl and Fernando Lamas are coming to the QUEEN'S and ALHAMBRA, in "THE DIAMOND QUEEN." Although, if Hollywood rumours are to be believed, they are brilliant unto themselves, for the moment, as far as the film goes, Gilbert Roland is a welcome addition.

This is a wild's brew of exotic balderdash, located in the Himalayas. The script-writer must have a strong liaison with the world because the lurid comic, so regrettably prominent these days. But they have leavened it pleasantly with a great deal of that soothing syrup for film fans known as Cheesecake. To the uninitiated, "glamour" may convey more meaning.

Roughly, it gives an idea of what might have happened to Jean Taverrier, the first Frenchman to explore India, and who returned to France with the diamond that became the Capstone of the Crown of Louis XIV. To this purpose he makes good use of a new and secret weapon—the hand grenade.

However Arlene Dahl is superbly beautiful, (surely the ideal choice for "HELEN OF TROY") and there is a large public for this type of film. For the comics, too.

Afterwards we are to be shown "THE SYSTEM." This is a super-gangster film. I have not seen it and I'm not going to. Though this is a purely personal prejudice and idiosyncrasy.

TENDER FEET

The ROXY and BROADWAY are showing Clifton Webb in "MR. SCOUTMASTER." It really achieves what it sets out to be—an hilarious comedy, but with a warm-hearted undertone. If some of the situations appear to be a little irritatingly far-fetched, they are easily redeemed by Mr Webb's clever characterization, and his talent for comedy.

He plays the part of a stiff, snappish man who gets twigged into becoming a Scoutmaster, with very Tender Feet, if the Scouts will forgive my play on their words. However, that's not the only thing that's tender after a few hours, with the boys.

All those who enjoyed "SITTING PRETTY" should see this film. Webb is given another opportunity of dishing ice cream into the face of his tormentor, even as he did with porridge before, and, strangely, it sustains the repetition. Edmund Gwenn is delightful in the role of an understanding

priest, and there is another excellent and sensitive performance from that attractive small boy with the deep purple voice, George Winslow.

"SAN ANTONIO," their next attraction, is a Western. The action starts, a trifle obviously, in San Antonio during the year 1861, which, in case you don't know, is during the American Civil War.

The story is an involved one, but very easy to follow because everyone who is clean and a cowboy is good (i.e. Rod Cameron) and all the grubby soldiers are just about as degradingly bad as they can be. It's a tale of violence and vengeance, with severely a human weakness ignored. The ending, however, is unexpected and quite refreshing. The villain is spared death to face an even worse fate—life with the more unpleasant of the two leading ladies.

DELIGHTFUL

I would like to make a special mention of the Charity Show Film that is going to be shown by the EMPIRE on December 7, in aid of the Hong Kong Council of Social Services, "NEVER TAKE NO FOR AN ANSWER."

This is a really charming film, based on Paul Gallico's delightful story, "The Little Miracle." It tells of a small boy's great love for his sick monkey, and the wonders he achieves through his faith and determination. Not only will you benefit the Charity concerned, you should also thoroughly enjoy yourselves at this entertainment.

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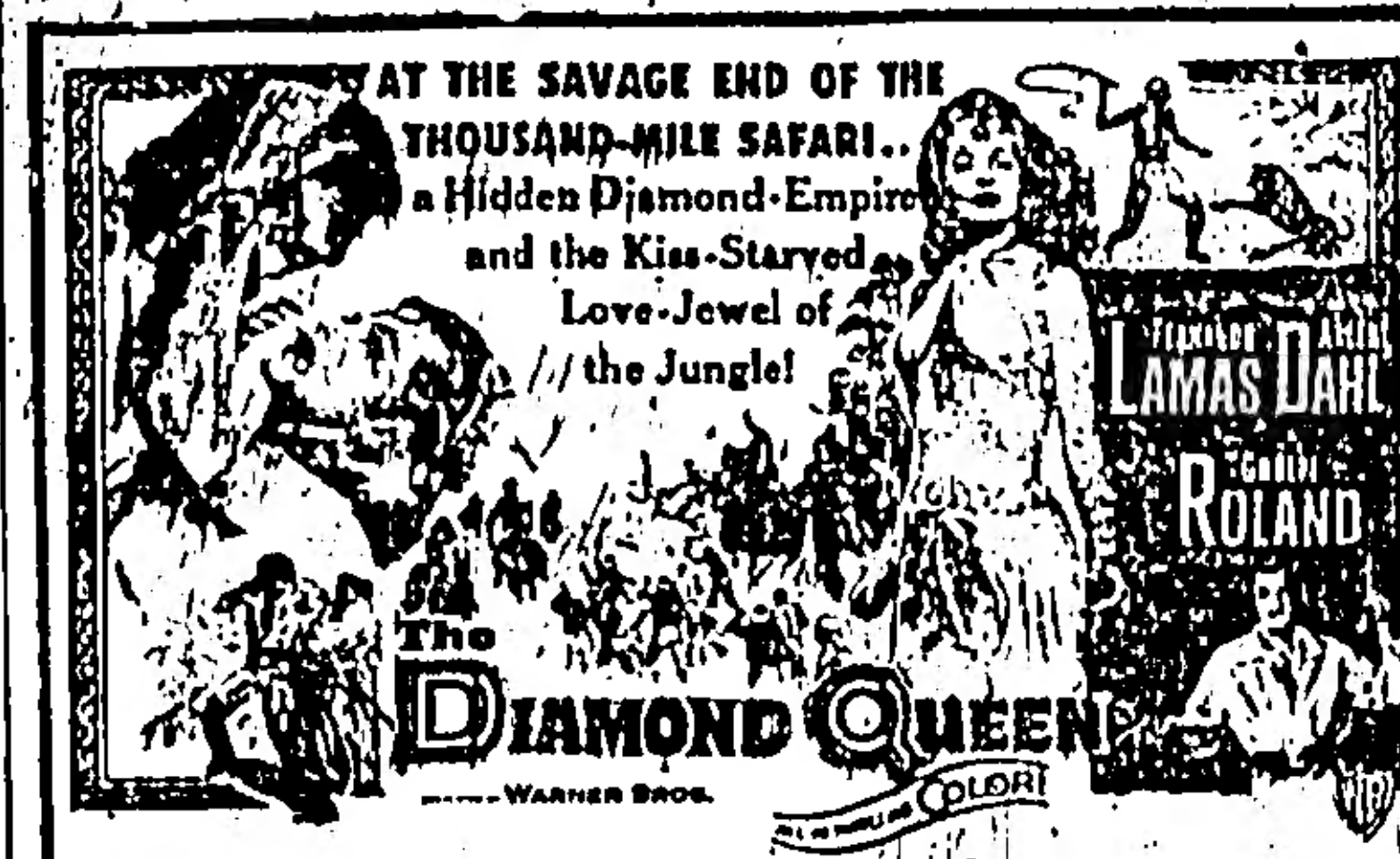
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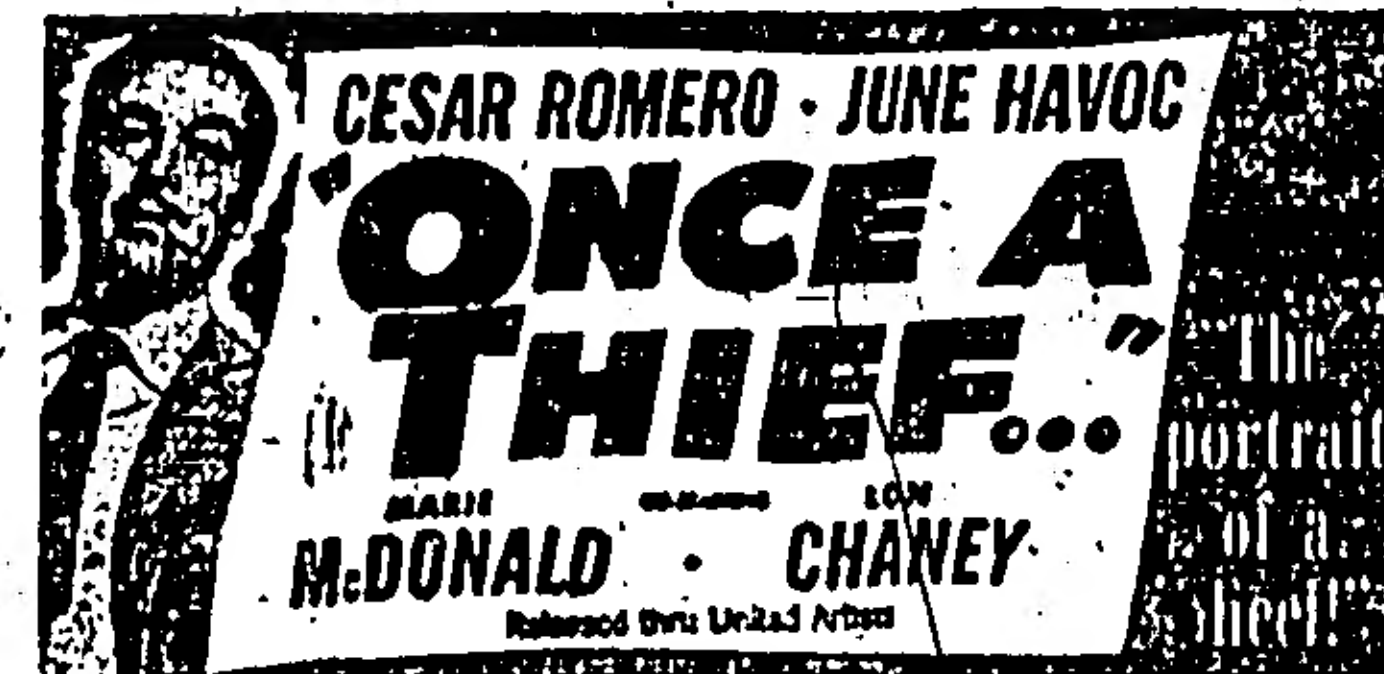
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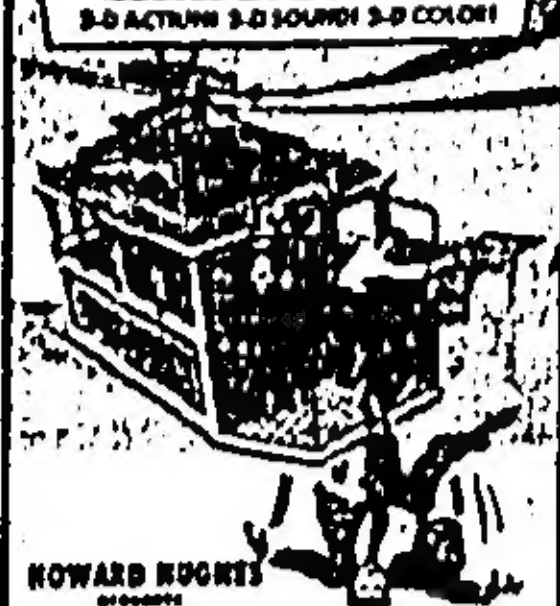
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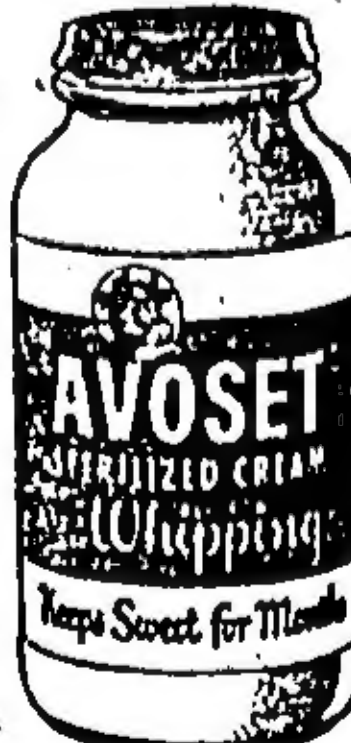
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Interesting News Stories From All Parts Of The World

**Fresh Water From The
Sea: Encouraging
Experiments**Berkeley, Calif.
University of California scientists are getting "encouraging results" from distilling experiments which some day may provide the nation with an unlimited supply of fresh water from the sea.

Everett D. Howe, director of the sea water demineralisation project at Richmond, announced that experimental results to date "indicate these methods should produce fresh water at attractive prices under conditions which exist in some parts of California."

**Modernising Army
& Air Force Law**London.
The death penalty will in future be imposed by Army and RAF courts martial only for the most serious forms of mutiny if the recommendations of a House of Commons Select Committee which have just been published become law.

The Committee, under Sir Patrick Spens, has been employed over the past 18 months in modernising the Army Act and Air Force Act, and the changes they suggest will register the greatest advances in military law since the Mutiny Act of 1689.

The great changes in the last 250 years which necessitated these revisions include the presence of women in the armed forces, the tremendous increase in size of the present Army and Royal Air Force over the forces of the past, the change from a purely volunteer character to the inclusion of National Service recruits enlisted for comparatively short periods, and the general tendency of the present times towards more humane conditions.

The death penalty for cowardice was abolished in 1930 but can still be imposed for certain offences committed

through cowardice. The Committee recommends that the maximum punishment for these offences should be imprisonment and that the death penalty should be reserved only for the most serious forms of mutiny. Moreover, it is further suggested that sentence of death must be the unanimous finding of a court martial and not a two-thirds majority of the members which is the present law. In addition, it is recommended that confirmation of the death sentence should be made by an officer not below the rank of general, except in certain cases on active service.

DEFINITION

There is no statutory definition of Mutiny and the Committee proposes it should be defined to cover:

"A combination between two or more persons subject to Service law to overthrow or resist lawful authority; to disobey lawful authority in circumstances as to make the disobedience subversive of discipline or with the object of avoiding any duty or service against or in connection with operations against the enemy; or to impede the performance of any duty or service in Her Majesty's forces or in any part of such forces."

This definition would cover "go slow" and "sit down" strikes. The Committee believes that flogging and the less pleasing kinds of field punishment should be discontinued on the grounds that they are "obsolete and of only historical interest" and also suggests that the offence of using traitorous words against the Sovereign be expunged from the Acts as "a relic from Jacobite days."

Under the Army and Air Force (Women's Services) Act, 1948 it is possible for a court martial to sentence a man to confinement, or mainly, of women officers. The Committee recommends that men should be tried only by male officers unless it is particularly desirable that a woman officer should be a member, and that where possible women should be tried by courts consisting of a majority of women. The Committee also suggests that the presiding officer should always be a male until women officers have had much more experience of courts martial.

**10-Storey Building To
Move 120 Feet**Chicago.
A 10-storey building weighing 15,000 tons will be rolled 120 feet next summer to make way for a super-highway.

Public Works Commissioner D. E. Gunlock said his office has offered \$140,000 to Samuel Shatten, president of the Shatten Movers, to move the 30,000,000 pound Keogh Building to land owned by Shatten.

The building, about 25 years old, is built of heavily reinforced concrete and house heavy printing presses. Gunlock said that barring last minute contract difficulties, agreement should be reached this month on details of the plan.

Shatten must acquire one and one-half lots lying between his property and the building's present site on the route of the proposed northwest super-highway.

Shatten said the moving job will take about two weeks, but preparing the site and building for the transfer will run the time of completion to five or six months.

Shatten said he expects to spend about \$1,200,000 on the entire operation. The building's ground level floor will be sheared off. The building will be supported by a steel framework.

Eighty caissons will be sunk 70 feet on the new site and a new concrete floor laid. Four-inch rollers will be inserted under the structure and the building will be edged along them on railroad tracks gripped either by mechanical screw jacks or hydraulic jacks, according to the plans, United Press.

He warned, however, that many technical problems must be solved before a commercially practical process can be developed to relieve drought-ridden areas.

Howe said two types of experimental units are being used; a solar still and a low-temperature difference combined power plant and still. A third type, a triple-effect distiller using waste heat from a diesel engine, will be in operation soon, he added.

Howe said fresh water in amounts up to 100 gallons a day have been produced for more than a year from the solar still.

"Nearly 2,000 gallons a day can be recovered using waste, warm water in the low-temperature difference distiller," he said.

TOO EXPENSIVE
Howe said the research money comes from the state legislature, university funds and the Federal Government. He added that this year the state legislature is providing \$100,000 for further work on the entire solar-water programme here and at the Los Angeles campus.

He said that at present units of the solar distiller are too expensive and complicated for practical application.

"The solar distiller lacks a practical design for producing quantities of low-cost water," he said, "and the thermal difference plant involves unconventional designs for the turbine and evaporator and air pumps. These are some of the problems we are trying to solve now."

Howe, who is associate dean of the college of engineering, said that the experiments on low-temperature difference combined power plant and distiller are being co-ordinated with work done by the French in French West Africa. The French started work with this type of power plant-distiller in the 1920's.

The principle involved is that power can be developed in any system in which even a small temperature difference exists.

SELF-OPERATING
He said that with the unit operated by the university, he figures that if enough power can be developed by running the fresh water vapour derived through a turbine its way from the evaporator to the condenser, the system would require no outside power for the pumps.

"We would have a self-operating machine as long as we could maintain a sufficient temperature difference between the sea water and the water circulating through the condenser," he said.

Dean Howe noted that a satisfactory solution to the problems involved would benefit industry considerably, too. Big industrial plants, he said, build large cooling towers to dispose of waste heat. If a satisfactory design for a practical thermal-difference combined power plant and distiller can be worked out, he said, "we should be able to make use of the waste product."

United Press.

**Didn't Get
His Last Wish**Wellington, Shropshire.
A 41-year-old unemployed school teacher who gassed himself didn't have his last wish.

"It's very odd getting drunk to kill oneself," wrote teacher Stanley Carr Spargo, a native of Adelaide, Australia. "This is about the tenth brandy," Spargo continued, in his suicide note. "One does all the usual things, looking at change, using the ashtray, smiling across the bar counter with the horror of death by suicide in one's mind. Let it not be said I did it while of unsound mind..."

But the Wellington coroner recorded a verdict of "suicide while the balance of his mind was disturbed." United Press.

BURY HATCHETClaremore, Oklahoma.
The Osage and Cherokee Indians buried the hatchet recently after 115 years of "warfare." Some 4,000 persons gathered to witness the treaty ceremony—burying an old stone hatchet which, according to Indian lore, makes the treaty legal. United Press.**\$1 A Year For
Ex-Wife**Springfield, Ill.
A North Dakota man bequeathed \$33 for his divorced wife—"1 for each year of our married life." Ira T. Hall, who died in Hecklinger, North Dakota, last Jan. 17, provided the sum for his former wife, Ethel E. Hall of Hecklinger. A petition to admit the will to probate was filed here because Hall owned real estate here. United Press.**CANADA
BECOMING
WARMER**Toronto.
Canada's climate is warming up, due to a recession of the Polar ice cap, but whether this is the prelude to the Dominion becoming more tropical is a question scientists are pondering, Samuel Nelson of the University of New Brunswick said. Nelson said most of North America became warmer on the four occasions the Polar ice cap receded, many thousands of years ago, but instead of palm trees growing—as was the case in the pre-ice age—the climate became cold again as the ice cap edged back southward.

"It may come back again," he said. "If it doesn't, Canada and the United States may become near tropical again."

Nelson said that in the pre-ice age, before the advent of man dinosaurs roamed the plains of Alberta and were kings over all animals.

During Nelson's field work for the geological survey of Canada, in 1950 and 1951, faunal and stratigraphic studies were made along the Churchill, Nelson, North and South Knife Rivers where highly fossiliferous limestones were well exposed, attaining a possible thickness of 300 feet.

He said that limestones, corals and other similar formations found there were ample proof that the area from Canada to Texas was once overrun by warm waters which, upon receding, left the country near tropical. That was 300,000,000 years ago.

Then came the ice age and ever since the climate has been alternately warming and cooling, depending on the whims of the Polar ice cap. United Press.

**Hunting, Fishing
For Convicts**Sydney.
Two men who went hunting, fishing and visiting a bootlegger when they were supposed to be in gaol were later assured of an extra month behind bars without those refinements.

John Mackie, 34, and John Wilson, 28, both of Reserve NSW, were sentenced to an additional month by Judge Eugene Parker who also criticised official of the Cape Breton County Gaol for running a "loosely operated" institution.

Mackie and Wilson were serving terms for excise act violations when turnkey Thomas Wells took them on a hunting and fishing trip and rounded it off with a visit to a bootlegger's. Wells was freed. United Press.

The Real McCoy

Denver, Colorado.

Patrons of bars in Colorado soon may be more certain of the contents of the stuff they order.

Secretary of State Homer Bruce announced recently that state liquor inspectors will be equipped with pocket testing sets to determine if whisky sold over the bar has been watered down with cheaper, weaker blends. United Press.

**Moscow
Full Of
Drunks**London.
A British churchman just back from Moscow reported that he saw more drunks during a two-week stay in the Soviet capital than during a 17-year ministry in Britain.

Canon Mervyn Stockwood, writing in the Daily Herald, said prostitution is practically unknown in Moscow—in contrast to Britain—"but when it comes to drunkenness it's a different story."

"I saw more drunks during my fortnight in Moscow than I have seen during my 17-year ministry in a working class parish in East Bristol," Stockwood wrote.

"I went to a smart night club and at least 20 people were revoltingly incapable. Again I was staying at a rather smart hotel but, I was eventually compelled to eat privately in my own room because I just could not stand people making themselves a nuisance, and even being sick at neighbouring tables, in the public restaurant."

FAMILY LIFE
But Stockwood added that he wished "some of our free love experts and our enthusiasts for easier divorce would go to the Soviet Union."

"They would discover that family life is far more strictly guarded than in Britain," he said.

"Sexual puritanism and the desire to foster a healthy family is not limited to their newspapers, and the complete ban on literature and postcards."

"Putting in public places is forbidden. If a boy begins to get the least amorous with his girl friend as he sits with her on the park seat, a policeman immediately blows his whistle and trouble begins."

"Prostitution is apparently unknown in Moscow."

The Daily Herald is publishing a series of articles by Stockwood. It said he would tell "frankly of all he saw." United Press.

**Telephonic
Cure**

London.

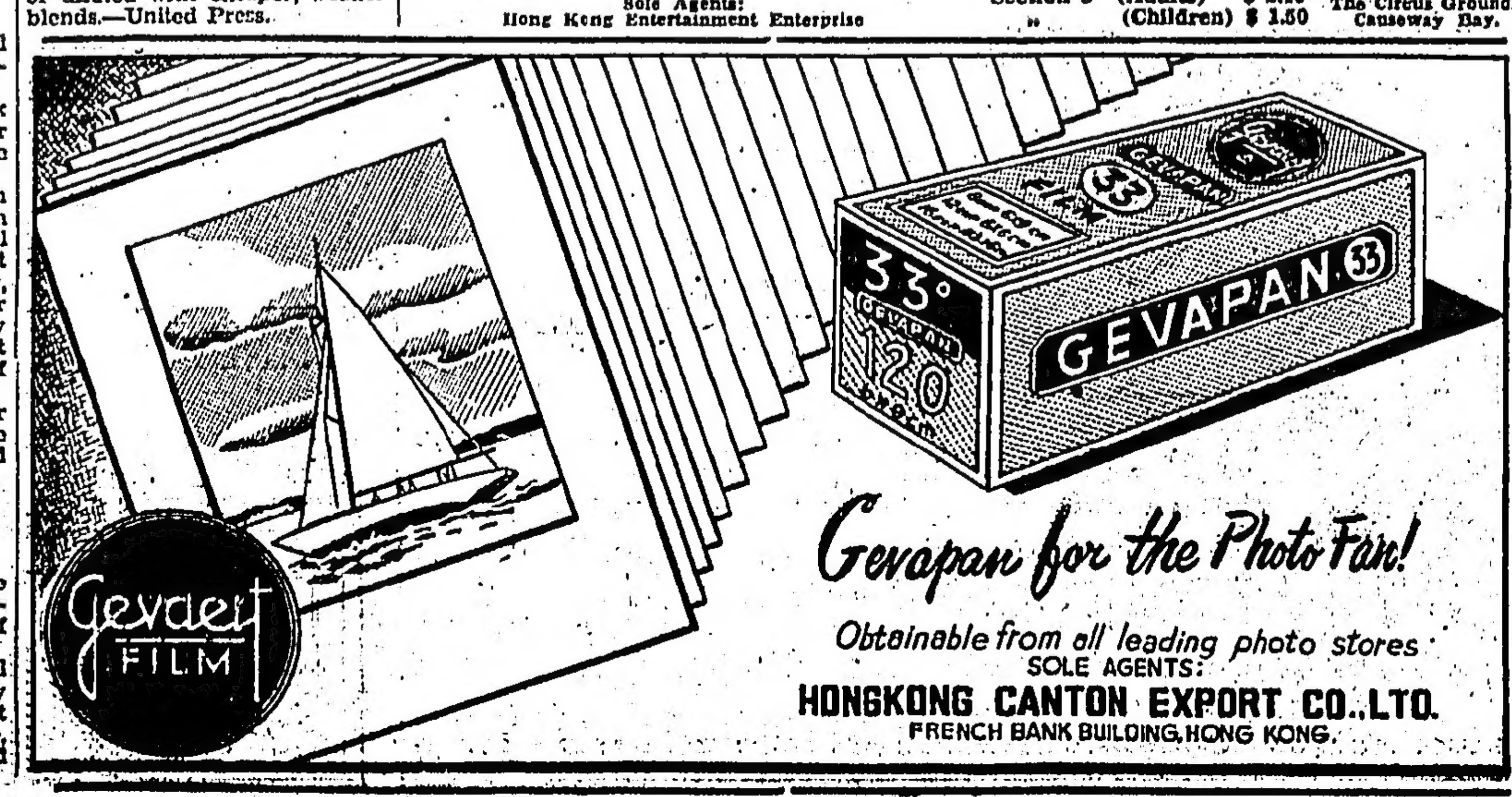
Dr S. A. P. Smagoriet believes an excellent way to cure bronchial asthma is hypnosis, over the telephone if necessary.

The president of the Medical Hypnosis Association told a meeting at Orpington Hospital he knew of 65 people whose bronchial asthma was cured by hypnosis.

He said he often gave hypnotic treatment over the telephone. He cited the case of a 16-year-old girl who "telephones me at lunch-hour every Monday. I put her to sleep and give her treatment and she has no asthma." United Press.

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MAJOR-GENERAL E. S. B. Gaffney, GOC Aldershot District, shaking hands with RSM Ronald Brittain, Coldstream Guards, after presenting him with a clasp to his Long Service and Good Conduct Medal. The Army's senior RSM is well known for his extra powerful voice, which has launched 30,000 cadets on an Army career. (Army News)



ACTRESS Nita Valerie smiles at her husband, jazz pioneer Peter Bernard, after their wedding at Marylebone Register Office. Bernard introduced Alexander's Ragtime Band at the London Hippodrome in 1912. (Express)

• HOMESIDE PICTORIAL •



THE new Lord Mayor of London, Sir Noel Vansittart Bowater, acknowledges the cheers from the crowds as he drives to the Law Courts during the traditional Lord Mayor's Procession marking his assumption of office. (Express)



PRINCESS MARGARET, who is now busy with a new round of Royal engagements, visited the new cottages at Dr Barnardo's Homes, Wokingham, Surrey, the other day. She is pictured here with some of the girls living at the home. (Express)



PROFESSOR J. Robert Oppenheimer, master mind behind the first atom bomb, walks about London on his second visit unattended by the hordes of G-men who dogged his steps when he went to France and Germany in 1951. The Professor, who is now head of the Institute for Advanced Studies at Princeton University, is in London to give the Reith Lectures for the BBC. (Express)



THE Duke of Beaufort (right), President of the British Olympics Association, chatting with Lord Luke at the annual dinner of the Association, held at Grosvenor House. (Express)



TOP-HATTED Mr Richard Haynes Twining, Deputy Chairman of the London Stock Exchange, gets a view through glass of the floor of the "House" from the newly-built public gallery. In front of him is a plan of the markets to help visitors follow what is going on. (Express)



THE scene of glistening white at the Devil's Elbow, on the Cairnwell Road from Perth to Braemar and Aberdeen, now lying under its first snow of this winter.

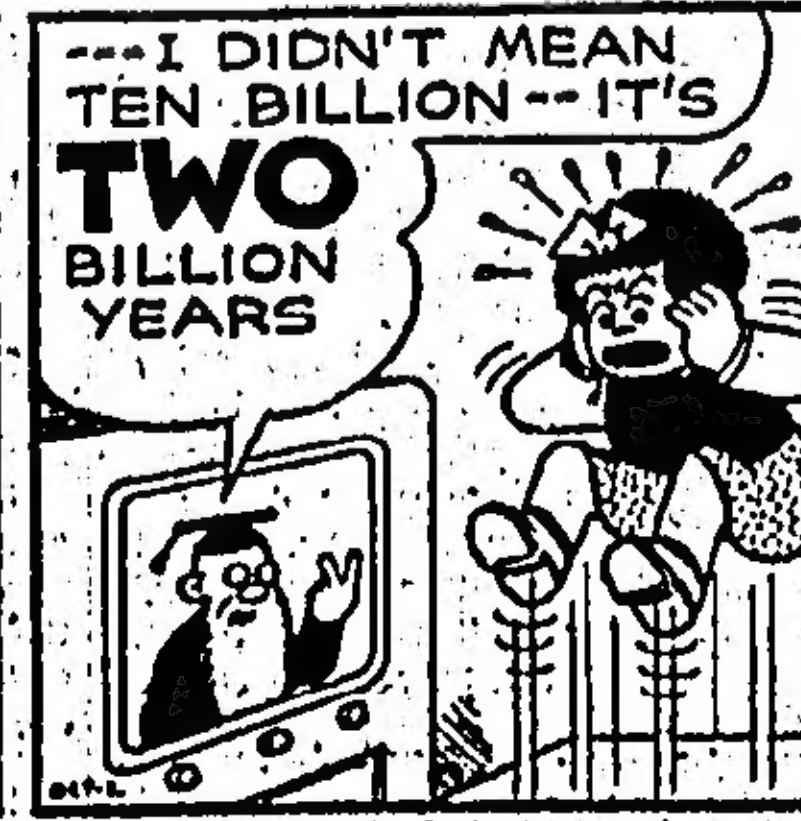


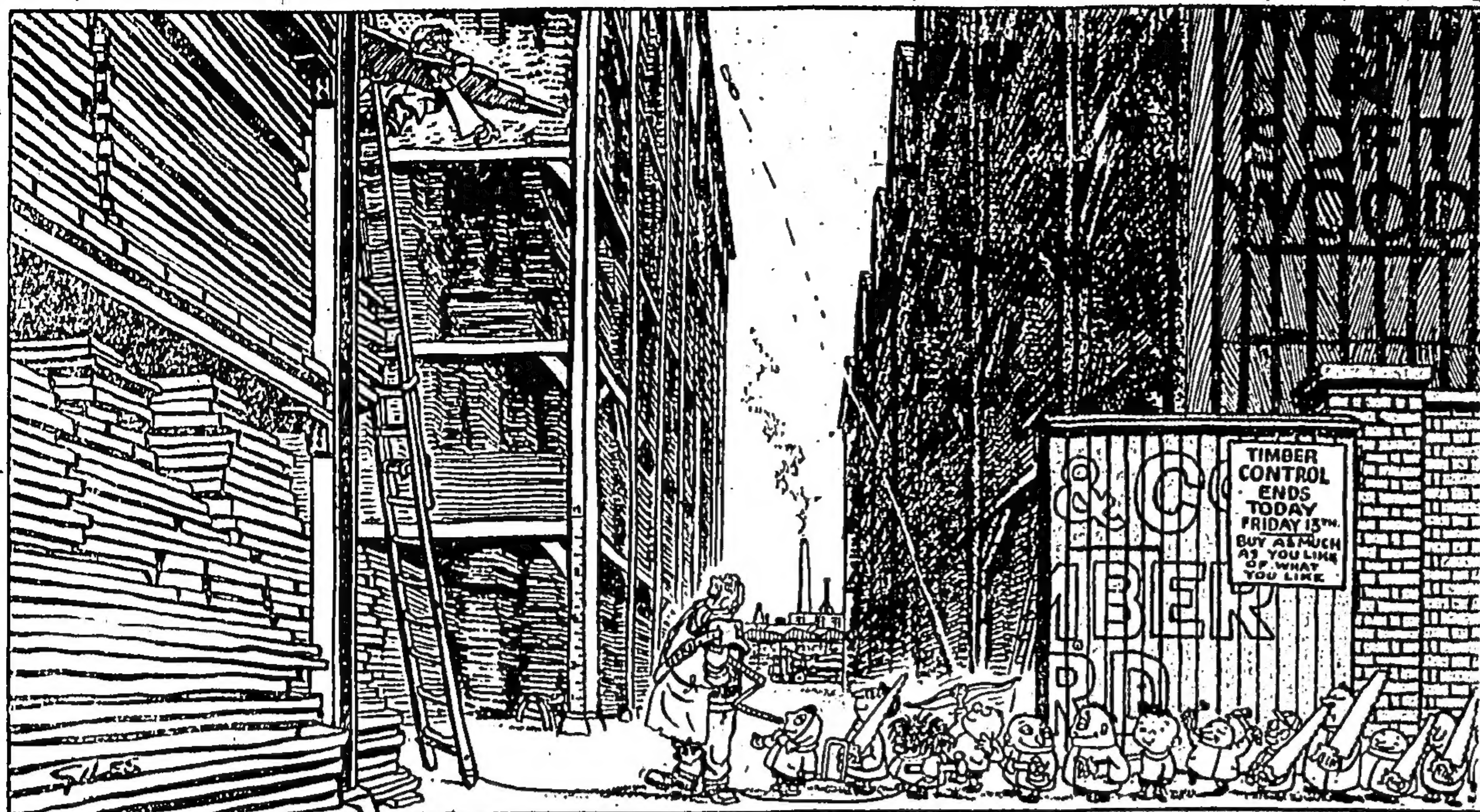
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Time To Worry!

By Ernie Bushmiller





"While you're up there Harry—another one wants sixpenn'orth of best softwood cut off that third plank down with no notches." Repeat "no notches."

London Express Service

Behind the Mike: "Often a Mad Scramble"

CAMPAIGN FOR MORE LIVE PROGRAMMES

By Margaret Pink

THERE is a mild panic in the studio, a last-minute frantic turning of pages of the script, a cough to clear the throat. Then the amber cue light flickers, the red light goes on—and a live programme from Radio Hongkong once again takes the air.

From then on, until the green light, which marks the "all clear," replaces the red, we baffle anyone who coughs or sneezes or who makes any kind of noise, however slight, to interrupt the smooth presentation of the programme. Fortunately, interruptions are rare, and the normal programme seems to the listener as well-organised as traffic in a well-planned city.

The interviews are concise, and there are no awkward pauses; the feature programmes calmly presented; the plays nearly always have the professional touch. Everyone who takes the air from the practice-announcer to the young amateur actor broadcasting his first few lines, sounds assured and confident.

That, at least, is how it appears to the listener. But the behind-the-mike picture is a very different one. Life at Radio Hongkong has been described by the Controller of Broadcasting, Mr. Curtis Lindsay, himself as "often a mad scramble," and many a capable businessman would throw up his hands in horror if he was asked to make order out of the chaos that sometimes prevails in Electra House.

Versatile Lot

IT is all part of the campaign to give Hongkong more live programmes, more programmes presented in Hongkong, by Hongkong people. Where possible the programmes are written here—this applies particularly to those about the Colony itself—and all of them have a share in their presentation.

For many of these people, radio work is merely a part-time job; for the actors and actresses, it is an amusing pastime; but for the full-time programme assistants under the Controller of Broadcasting it is serious hard work which can be either amusing or infuriating, and during the course of which they may be called on to perform all manner of miracles and to cope with a full range of temperaments. Versatility is the catchword; there is no room for specialists in a radio studio which is still going through a stage similar to that of the BBC at Savoy Hill.

The average radio listener who hears an almost continuous stream of programmes from morning till night, and who at the best of times probably looks upon radio work as money for the proverbial jam, does not appreciate the immense amount of organisation which goes into the presentation of each and every programme, from the Colony's own station.

Presenting a local live programme is infinitely more complicated than merely relaying a "canned" BBC one. The latter only calls for someone to put the right record on the turntable;



"Wired for sound": Donald Brooks on an out-door assignment.

the former may call for the co-operation of almost every single person connected with Radio Hongkong, and a good many outsiders besides.

For behind each feature programme there are weeks of work; behind each talk and discussion there are days of research and preparation; behind each play there are hours of concentrated rehearsal, much of it with people unaccustomed to the microphone.

On an average, Radio Hongkong broadcasts for about 70 hours a week. Of this time about 10 hours are provided locally—one seventh of the total. And the number of live broadcasts is still increasing: since the end of last year the number of weekly talks has risen from one to five, and the number of plays has shown an even more remarkable increase. From April 7, 1952 to March 28 this year 13 live plays (only two of them full-length) were broadcast here; since April 28 this year there have been 20, of which six lasted well over an hour, and many lasted 45-50 minutes.

This improvement has been made possible by a slight increase in the staff of Radio Hongkong. Even now, however, there are only five full-time programme assistants, who between them organise both the English and the Chinese programmes. With a few exceptions all the other employees, including the announcers and newscasters, are part-time.

No Holidays

"FULL-time" for Donald Brooks, Aileen Woods, Patricia Rigge, Chow Nai-yeung and Eddie Au-yeung does not mean an ordinary eight-hours-a-day, forty-hours-a-week job, with Saturday afternoons and Sundays free for swimming and tennis. Their work demands their constant attention, for even if they are not always actively "on the air" they have to arrange programmes and plan for weeks ahead. They may, in a particularly busy period, have to put in a considerable amount of extra work and to give up their evenings and some of their holidays for the good of the cause.

Like journalists, indeed, they seldom have the public holidays, for most events of interest—St. John's Ambulance review, the Queen's Birthday parade, Remembrance Sunday—happen then, and reports of events on

these days have a large listening public.

Let me list some of the programmes which can be heard regularly: there are two weekly programmes for children, a weekly news magazine for teenagers and over, a weekly book review and short-story, a weekly British Council programme, a weekly talk on music, a weekly discussion on Hongkong's history.

On the musical side, apart from the regular "live" recitals, there is Record Review, which is a critical appreciation of new classical records; First Hearing, its brother in modern music; Hit Parade, based on the sales of new records; Top Tunes, a monthly index of the popularity of tunes as expressed in requests to Radio Hongkong; and last, but far from least, there are the ever-popular Down Memory Lane, which had its sixth anniversary earlier this month, and the equally popular Music Lovers' Hour, Radio Hongkong's second oldest programme.

Particular emphasis is placed continually on entertainment for the Forces. There are four local request programmes during the week, and from time to time variety programmes are given in the studio, which have a special appeal to members of the Services.

Local Talent

THERE is a conscious effort to bring as many local artists as possible into the studio. We have local singers, pianists, violinists, local bands, orchestras and choirs—not to mention the local actors (there are now over 100 on the Radio Hongkong books) who are perhaps the most enthusiastic of all.

Radio Hongkong also does its utmost to encourage local writers and authors to send in scripts, which might prove suitable for broadcasting. At least one local author—Ron Westcott—has been helped up the ladder to success by Radio Hongkong, which has accepted three of his plays for broadcasting. Shortly, too, a serial story by another local man—Jack Sheppard—will be broadcast in "Contact."

Then there are the 15 or 16 freelance enthusiasts who act as part-time announcers and newscasters. Some are civilians and others members of the Forces; their only common bond is a suitably pleasant and expressive voice. All of them are gaining their first experience of broadcasting, and their training, all done locally, adds to the work of the programme organisers and the Controller of Broadcasting.

Radio Features

THE types of live programmes broadcast from Radio Hongkong fall roughly into six categories—features, discussions, magazine programmes, talks, music recitals and plays. With the presentation of a feature programme the public, apart from a few specialist individuals, has very little to do. At the present moment Radio Hongkong is doing a series of featured programmes on Public Utilities, here—where it can be compared to the BBC's "Focus" series. To date they have investigated the Post Office, Cable and Wireless facilities and the

Waterworks—the latter as recently as last week.

Where possible the Controller of Broadcasting likes to have a feature broadcast simultaneously on both the English and Chinese networks. In the case of the Waterworks, a team from each section—headed by Donald Brooks and Eddie Au-yeung respectively—started work on August 6 in preparation for the November feature. The interviewed the Acting Waterworks Engineer, and visited most of the waterworks sites in the Colony to get ideas for the programme.

Cut A Third

GRADUALLY they put it together, and did "on the spot" interviewing at the most suitable sites—Typhoon Tiki and Shek Li Pui—which they pieced together with their own description of what went on. The interviewing took 30 minutes of programme time and had to be whittled down by more than a third to fit into the allotted 50 minutes for the programme.

From the point of view of "sound" the Waterworks feature was perhaps not as intriguing as a previous one on tele-communications, when Donald Brooks spoke to a Norwegian sea captain 200 miles out to sea and interviewed him literally over the air.

Representative of the second group of programmes—the discussions—is the weekly "Talking About Hongkong," which Father T.P. Ryan, and Doctor S.G. Davis prepare themselves each week. Proof of the popularity of this type of programme is the fact that "Talking About Hongkong" takes

Radio Hongkong has its own book reviewing staff, and the books, which come from England, are turned out to reviewers whose particular abilities best them for reviewing any particular type of book. There is in fact, a panel of specialists who ensure the highest possible quality and the best possible presentation of each review or story.

Considerable emphasis is placed continually on sport, which has equal prominence on both the English and Chinese wavelengths. Brig Young presents his "Sports Review" every Thursday—a critical appraisal of the previous day's sport, with a forecast for the future every Sunday.

It is with the final type of live programme that the majority of ordinary people in Hongkong are perhaps most associated—the plays. At the present moment Radio Hongkong is in the process of compiling a casting book, from which all future radio plays can be cast. There are now 100 or more names in this book, and auditions are to be held about three times a year with the Stage Club, the Garrison Players, and the R.F. Kai Tak Players, with a view to augmenting this list.

Not Simple

WHEN a play is chosen, and its cast and producer selected—either by Radio Hongkong or by the Society concerned—intensive rehearsing begins. Local actors and actresses have discovered that play-reading is by no means as simple as it sounds—every inflection has to be exaggerated in order that the right effect may be conveyed to the listening public, and the fatal impression of reading-



In the Studio: Hongkong Stage Club members do a radio play.

the air for the 50th time next Friday.

The only example at present of the "magazine" programme is the new "Contact," run by Rosemary Richards, which brings young people of the Colony into the studio to talk of their jobs, and keeps its listeners up to date on the activities of the various youth groups, together with news of young people abroad.

In every "Contact" programme part of a serial, "The Black Arrow," is read by a young RAF serviceman, Hugh Sullivan. Perhaps it would not be out of place here to mention the other "story readers" and book reviewers whose programmes take the air every

from-a-script must at all costs be avoided.

Actors may be called upon to turn themselves into chickens or dogs or even oxygen-pumps. They provide footsteps and pistol shots and innumerable other "spot" effects to suit every occasion.

Future plans at Radio Hongkong are for competition programmes in which various clubs and organisations can compete, and they are always open to any suggestions you, the listener, may have for its improvement. In fact its chief complaint is that the listener, while he undoubtedly has his opinions and ideas, seldom takes the trouble to express them to

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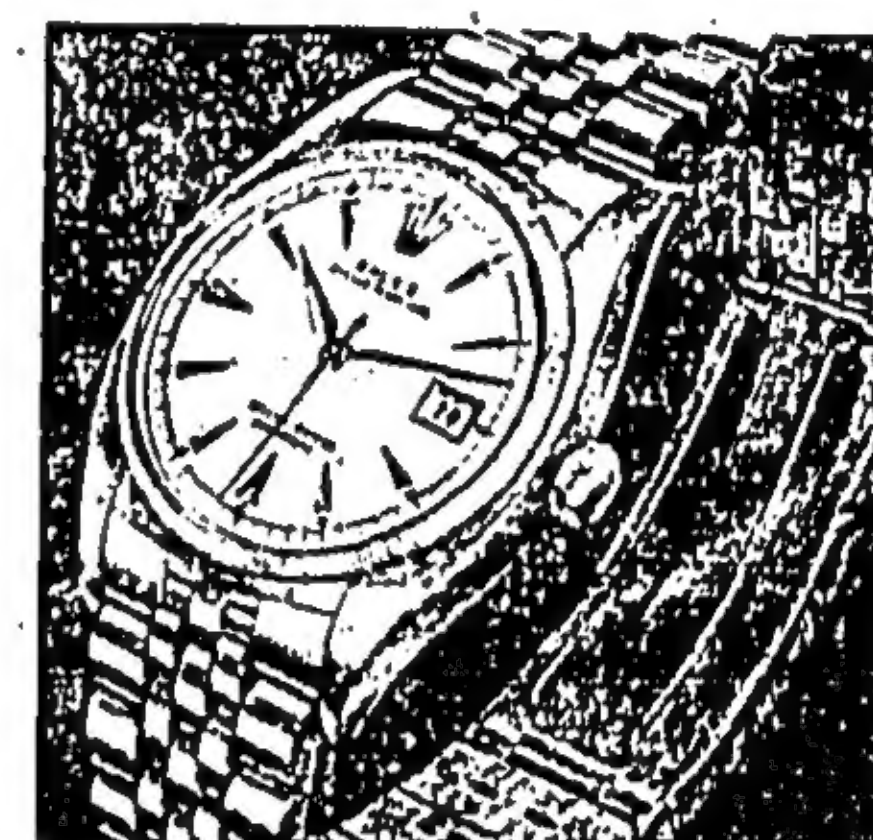
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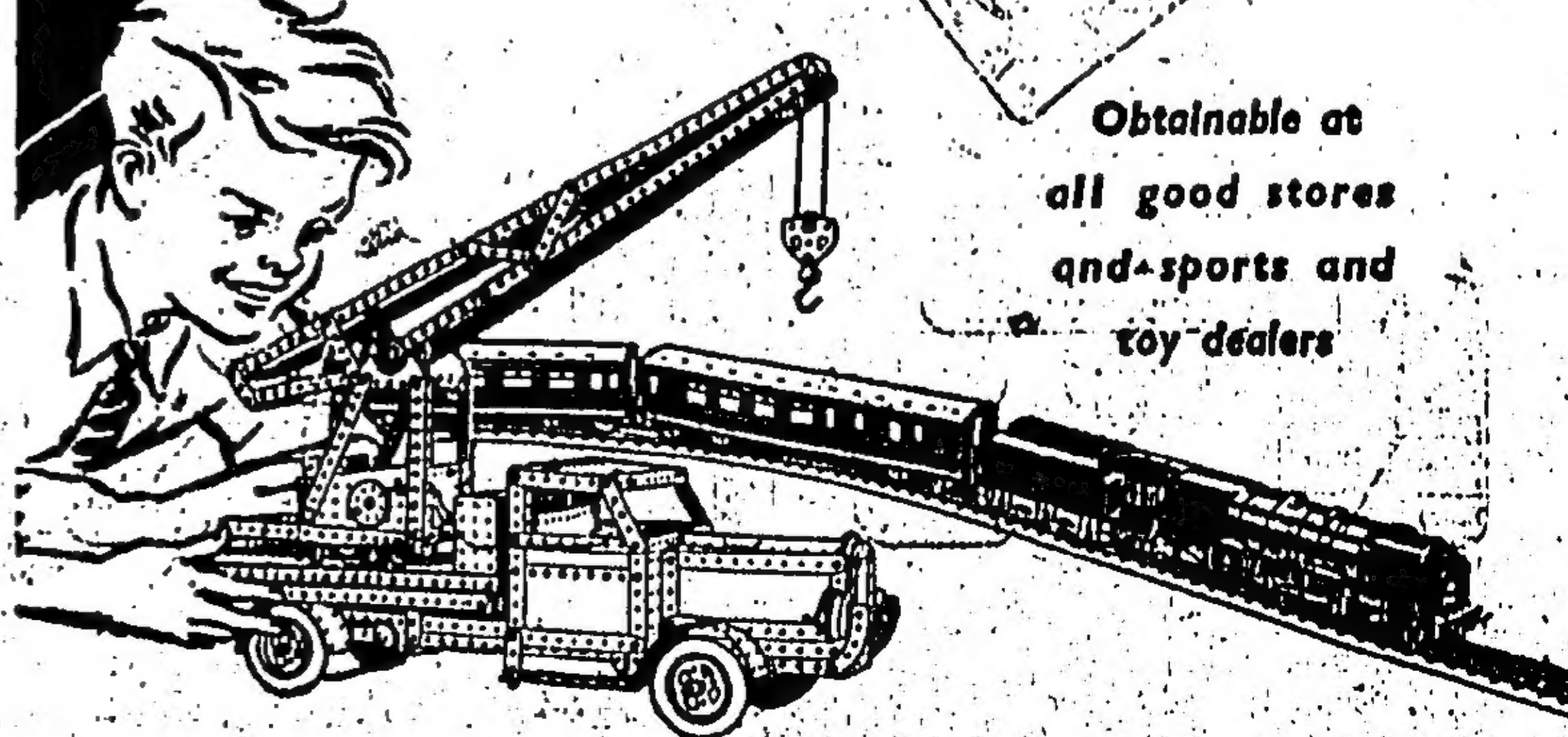
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AIRBORNE FORCES STRIKE AT ARNHEM

In order to get across the Lower Rhine an attempt was made to seize a bridgehead at Arnhem by the combined action of XXXth British Corps and of British, American and Polish airborne troops.

MONTGOMERY planned to drop the 1st British Airborne Division, supported later by the Polish brigade, on the north bank of the lower Rhine to seize the Arnhem bridge. The 82nd U.S. Airborne Division was to capture the bridges at Nijmegen and Grave, while the 101st U.S. Airborne Division secured the road from Grave to Eindhoven.

The XXXth Corps, led by the Guards Armoured Division, would force their way up the road to Eindhoven and thence to Arnhem along the "carpet" of airborne troops, hoping to find the bridges over the three major water obstacles already safely in their hands.

The preparations for this daring stroke, by far the greatest operation of its kind ever attempted, were complicated and urgent, because the enemy were growing stronger every day. It was remarkable that they were completed by the set date, Sept. 17. There were not sufficient aircraft to carry the whole airborne force simultaneously, and the movement had to spread over three days.

However, on Sept. 17 the leading elements of the three divisions were well and truly taken to their destinations by the fine work of the Allied air forces. The 101st U.S. Division accomplished most of their task, but a canal bridge on the road to Eindhoven was blown and they did not capture the town till Sept. 18. The 82nd U.S. Division also did well, but could not seize the main bridge at Nijmegen.

FROM Arnhem the news was scarce, but it seemed that some of our Parachute Regiment had established themselves at the north end of the bridge. The Guards Armoured Division of the XXXth Corps began to advance in the afternoon up the Eindhoven road, preceded by an artillery barrage and rocket-firing planes. The VIIIth Corps on the right



A popular wartime photograph of the author reading the news while waiting for the train at a Scottish railway station. Sir Winston Churchill will be 80 on Monday, November 30, and this event has prompted Beverly Baxter, MP, to write the tribute that appears on Page 13 of today's China Mail.

and the XIIth on the left protected the flanks of the XXXth.

The road was obstinately defended and the Guards did not reach the Americans till the afternoon of Sept. 18. German attacks against the narrow Eindhoven-Nijmegen salient began next day and grew in strength. The 101st Division had great difficulty in keeping the road open. At times traffic had to be stopped until the enemy were beaten off.

By now the news from Arnhem was bad. Our parachutists still held the northern end of the bridge, but the enemy remained in the town, and the rest of the 1st Airborne Division, which had landed to the west, failed to break in and reinforce them.

The canal was bridged on Sept. 18, and early next morning the Guards had a clear run to Grave, where they found the 82nd U.S. Division. By nightfall they were close to the strongly defended Nijmegen bridge, and on Sept. 20 there was a tremendous struggle for it. The Americans crossed the river west of the town, swung right, and seized the far end of the railway bridge. The Guards charged across the road bridge. The defenders were overwhelmed and both bridges were taken intact.

There remained the last lap of Arnhem, where bad weather had hampered the fly-in of

munition, and the 1st Airborne were in desperate straits. Unable to reach their bridge, the rest of the division was concentrated in a small perimeter on the northern bank and endured violent assaults.

Every possible effort was made from the southern bank to rescue them, but the enemy were too strong. The Guards, the 43rd Division, the Polish Parachute Brigade, the British 1st Airborne, dropped in their gallant attempts at rescue. For four more days the struggle went on, in vain.

On Sept. 25 Montgomery ordered the survivors of the gallant 1st Airborne back. They had to cross the fast-flowing river at night in small craft and under close-range fire. By daybreak about 2,400 men out of the original 10,000 were safely on our bank.

EVEN after all was over at Arnhem there was hard fighting for a fortnight to hold our gains. The Germans conceived that our salient imperilled the whole western bank of the lower Rhine, and later events proved they were right. They made many heavy counterattacks to regain Nijmegen. The bridge was bombed from the air, and damaged, though not destroyed, by swimmers

Chapter 13 of "Triumph And Tragedy," the sixth and final book of World War Two memoirs by Sir WINSTON CHURCHILL

with demolition charges. Gradually the three corps of the Second Army expanded the 50-mile salient until it was 25 miles wide. It was still too narrow, but for the moment it sufficed.

Heavy risks were taken. In the Battle of Arnhem, but they were justified by the great prize so nearly in our grasp. Had we been more fortunate in the weather, which turned against us at critical moments and restricted our mastery in the air, it is probable that we should have succeeded. No risks daunted the brave men, including the Dutch Resistance, who fought for Arnhem.

CLEARING the Scheldt estuary and opening the port of Antwerp had been delayed for the sake of the Arnhem thrust. Thereafter it was given first priority. During the last fortnight of September a number of preliminary actions had set the stage. The 11th Canadian Corps had forced the enemy back from the line Antwerp-Ghent-Bruges into the restricted Brekens "island," bounded on the east by the Leopold Canal. East of Antwerp the 1st (British) Corps, also under Canadian Army command, had reached and crossed the Antwerp-Turnhout canal.

The problem was threefold: the capture of the Brekens "island," the occupation of the peninsula of South Beveland; finally, the capture of Walcheren Island by attacks from east, south, and west. The first two proceeded simultaneously.

Brekens "island" defended by an experienced German division, proved tough, and there was hard fighting to cross the Leopold Canal. The scales were turned by a Canadian brigade, which embarked upstream, landed at the eastern extremity of the "island," and forced a way along the shore towards Brekens, which fell on Oct. 22.

MEANWHILE the 1st Corps had slowly but surely advanced northwest from the Antwerp-Turnhout canal, meeting increased opposition as they went. The South Beveland isthmus was sealed off, and plans could be made for continuing the operations westwards towards Walcheren.

This hard task was undertaken by the 2nd Canadian Division, which forced its way westwards through large areas of flooding, their men often waist-deep in water. They were helped by the greater part of the 52nd (Lowland) Division, who were ferried across the Scheldt and landed on the south shore at Basildon. By the end of the month, after great exertions, the whole isthmus was captured. Meanwhile, the last pockets of enemy in Brekens "island" were being eliminated and all was set for the Walcheren attack.

The Canadian Army's success was an essential preliminary to more spectacular operations. In four weeks of hard fighting, during which the 2nd Tactical Air Force, under Air Marshal Coningham, gave them conspicuous support, they took no fewer than 12,500 German prisoners, who were anything but ready to surrender.

The island of Walcheren is shaped like a saucer and rimmed by sand dunes which stop the sea from flooding the central plain. At the western edge, near Westkapelle, is a gap in the dunes where the sea is held by a great dyke, 30 feet high and over a 100 yards wide at the base. The garrison of nearly 10,000 men was installed in strong artificial defenses, and supported by about 30 batteries of artillery, some of large calibre in concrete emplacements. Anti-tank obstacles, mines, and wire abounded, for the enemy had had four years in which to fortify the gateway to Antwerp.

Early in October the Royal Air Force struck the first blow. In a series of brilliant attacks they blew a great gap, nearly 400 yards across, in the Westkapelle dyke. Through it poured the sea, flooding all the centre of the saucer and drowning such defenses and batteries as lay within. But the most formidable emplacements and obstacles were on the saucer's rim, and their capture can be told here only in outline.

The attack was concentric. In the east the 2nd Canadian Division tried to advance from South Beveland over the connecting causeway, and finally seized a bridgehead with the help of a brigade of the 52nd Division. In the centre, on Nov. 1, No. 4 Commando was ferried across from Brekens and boldly landed on the sea-front of Flushing. This first wave was followed rapidly by troops of the 52nd Division, who battled their way into the town.

The main attack was from the west, launched by three Marine Commandos under Brig. Leicester. Embarking at Ostend, they sailed for Westkapelle, and at 7 a.m. on Nov. 1 they sighted the lighthouse tower. As they approached, the naval bombardment squadron opened fire. Here were H.M.S. Warspite and the 15-inch-gun monitors Erebus and Roberts, with a squadron of armed landing-craft. These latter came close inshore, and, despite harsh casualties, kept up their fire until the two leading Commandos were safely ashore.

No. 14, landing at the northern end of the gap in the sea-wall, captured the village of Westkapelle and drove on towards Domburg. No. 48, landing south of the gap, soon met fierce resistance. Unavailable though the naval covering fire had been, a principal adjunct was lacking. A heavy bombardment had been planned for the previous day, but mist

prevented our aircraft from taking off.

Very effective fighter bomber attack helped the landing at a critical moment, but the Marines met much stronger opposition, from much less damaged defenses, than we had hoped.

That evening No. 48 Commando had advanced two miles along the fringe towards Flushing, but was held up by a powerful battery embedded in concrete. The whole of the Artillery of First Canadian Army, firing across the water from the Brekens shore, was brought to bear, and rocket-firing aircraft attacked the embankments. In the gathering darkness the Commando killed or captured the defenders. Next morning it pressed on and took Zouteland by midday.

There No. 47 took up the attack, and, with a weakening defence, reached the outskirts of Flushing. On Nov. 3 they joined hands with No. 4 Commando after its stiff house-to-house fighting in the town. In a few days the whole island was in our hands, with 8,000 prisoners.

Minesweeping began as soon as Flushing was secure, and in the next three weeks 100 craft were used to clear the 70-mile channel. On Nov. 28 the first convoy arrived, and Antwerp was opened for the British and American Armies. Flying bombs and rockets plagued the city for some time and caused many casualties, but interfered with the furtherance of the war no more than in London.

ANTWERP'S ordeal was not the only reason for trying to thrust the Germans farther away. When the 2nd Canadian Division swung west into South Beveland there were still four German divisions in a pocket south of the river Meuse and west of the Nijmegen corridor. It was an awkward salient, which by Nov. 8 was eliminated by the 1st and the XIIth Corps.

On the other flank of the Nijmegen corridor there was still an obstinate enemy, west of the Meuse, in a pocket centred on Venlo. Farther south the First U.S. Army breached the Siegfried Line, north of Aachen. In the first week of October, the town was attacked from three sides and surrendered on Oct. 21. On their flank the Third Army were 20 miles east of the Moselle. The Seventh Army and the First French Army had drawn level and were probing towards the High Vosges and the Belfort Gap.

The Americans had all but outrun their supplies in their lightning advances of September, and a pause was essential to build up stocks and prepare for large-scale operations in November.

*The 1st Corps at this time was a remarkable example of Allied integration. It consisted of four divisions—English, Canadian, American and Polish.

(Continued on Monday)

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MALENKOV LAUNCHES A NEW SPY SCARE

By ROBERT FENWICK

BEWARE of spies and saboteurs; suspect talkative strangers; guard the glorious Soviet Union against wreckers and foreign agents.

These are some of the old Stalinist slogans now being launched again at the Russian people by Malenkov in his present "be vigilant" campaign.

On his orders, the Communist newspapers, popular magazines, specialist publications and radio talks are all warning against cloak-and-dagger men dispatched from the West to undermine the Soviet people's morale and collect information.

Here are some of the most recent examples of this nation-wide propaganda drive:

1. Komsomol'skaya Pravda, Communist Youth organ, in dis-

cussing three espionage novels written by Soviet authors, commented: "George Briantsev's 'Secret Ways' for 'conclusively showing how Gestapo agents were re-trained for service in the Anglo-American intelligence service'."

"Secret Ways," the newspaper added, "unmasked the treacherous methods used by the imperialist agents nowadays in peacetime." It also stated that 30,000 copies of the novels were printed, "but this is a very small number in view of the tremendous demand for such works."

"Provocations"

2. Ogoniek, the popular Soviet illustrated magazine with a weekly circulation of 550,000, published a two-page article describing the organization of the American Central Intelligence Agency and its "provocations" against the USSR and its satellites.

Referring to the Agency's "network," it said: "Recently an espionage centre was unmasked in Poland. Its instigator was (the Polish) Archbishop Wlaskinsky."

It added: "Vigilance is the battle-cry of all the peoples of the democratic camp."

3. A 50-page booklet, "Vigilance of the Soviet People," published by the Soviet Society for the Propagation of Scientific and Political Knowledge, total of 200,000 copies devoted to teaching Russians how to fight imperialist agents and provocations.

Giving numerous examples of Soviet citizens gone astray, the booklet warned that any irregularity against Soviet laws may lead a citizen to become a victim of foreign agents. These "useful idiots" are one of their main weapons, together with money and wine.

It continued: "crime and espionage always go together" and asserted that citizens, who "shelter needlessly, carelessly and forgetfully" are also liable to help espionage agents.

The booklet stressed that it was dangerous to talk to strangers about anything relating to Soviet economy, transport, foreign affairs, the army, navy or air force, factories or government offices and organizations.

Berlin Rising

4. Trust, the newspaper of the Soviet Trade Unions, devoted a full page to describing the adventures of one Gunther Eckstein, an East German who took part in the June 17 Berlin rising, escaped to the West, then returned to East Germany after two months.

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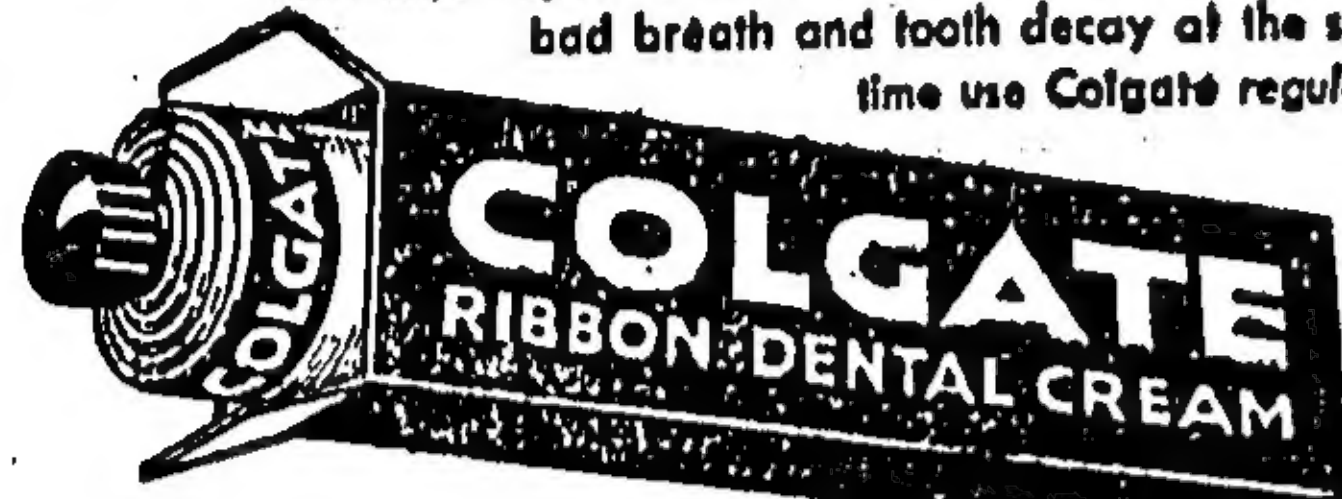
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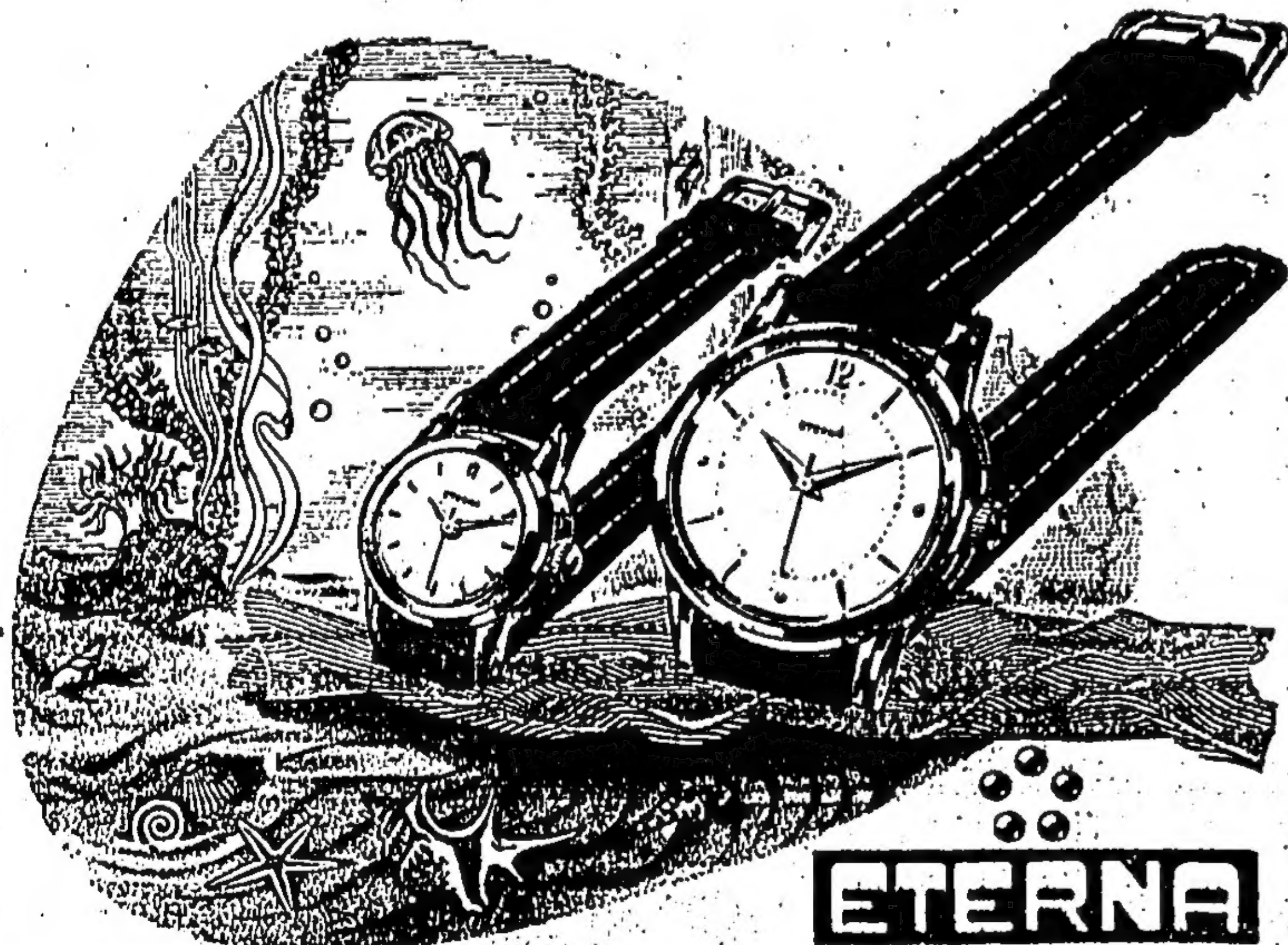
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Bolivia's "China" Has Returned

By JACK COMBEN

La Paz, Bolivia. Her name is Carmela Cerruto de Paz Estenssoro; she is known as "China"; and hundreds of thousands of Bolivia's poor regard her as South America's second Eva Peron. She is the wife of Bolivia's President Victor de Paz Estenssoro.

In La Paz, Bolivia's capital, "China's" Social Solidarity Foundation is fast gaining a fame similar to that of the late Senora Evita Peron's Social Aid Foundation.

And there is a striking resemblance between the two women in that they both seem to have been inspired by the same ideal in battling for the poor.

Like Eva, "China" has a vivid dynamic personality and shapely figure.

However, unlike the blonde tresses of Senora Peron, her long, glossy hair is dark. And her nickname is due to her obliquely-set eyes, whose brown shade is so deep that at times it appears black.

"China" is 35 years old. So was Eva when she died in July, 1952. Both came from working class families. Eva was extraordinarily fond of her brother Juan who was found shot ten months after his sister's death. Carmela openly displays her fondness for her brother, Waldo, with whom she is staying in the La Paz suburb of Obrajes.

She met her husband, who became President after the bloody revolution of April 1952, when she was a fifteen-year-old schoolgirl.

She recalled: "Even as a young man, Victor took his political beliefs very seriously. He taught me all he knew and I have always tried to help him."

Soon after her 18th birthday they married. A year later Miriam, now aged sixteen, was born. Their son Ramiro arrived in 1941.

When Paz Estenssoro fled to political exile under Peron's protection in 1947, "China" and the two children went along too.

She first met Eva Peron in Buenos Aires.

"While our husbands discussed politics, Evita and I made plans to help the poor. She was more fortunate than I for she had plenty of money at her disposal and could get everything she wanted," she told me.

When husband Victor became President of Bolivia after the April 1952 revolution, "China" called a meeting of wives of her husband's supporters in the Movimiento Nacionalista Revolucionario party.

Within a month her "Social Solidarity" campaign was under way—with Carmela at its head. She and her friends canvassed La Paz business houses begging for funds, clothes and food.

They acquired an old lorry and toured mountain villages hardhit by the revolution.

A few months later, just before Christmas, she followed Eva's example again by canvassing local businessmen for toys, games and books for the workers' children.

Early this year, sick through nervous strain and over work, she collapsed.

Like Eva, Carmela had the best medical attention available in the country, without result. After anxious weeks she was flown to the United States. The exact nature of her illness was never announced, but Baltimore doctors said they were treating her for a nervous disorder. While in hospital she worried constantly about her welfare organization and its financial problems. She complained bitterly that the Bolivian government would not help her.

Last month she returned to La Paz, ostensibly cured. During her absence her Social Solidarity Foundation had nearly collapsed due to lack of cash.

During her absence too, there were wild rumours of marital trouble between herself and her husband. Husband Victor was—and still is—frequently seen out and about accompanied by pretty señoritas.

"China" did not return to the presidential palace. Instead she drove to brother Waldo's house where she is still living. The Social Solidarity Foundation gave her a big reception. Her husband was invited but did not attend.

A divorce is rumoured but friends deny it.

And "China"?

"I'm going to devote my life to the country's poor," she told me. "Somehow, from some where, I'll get the money to help those whose only crime is poverty."

PARADISE, ALAS, IS NOT CHEAP



BERNARD WICKSTEED, the Fun Finding Out man, is going round the world with the Queen. The first stop was Bermuda. Today he tells you what it is like when summer lingers

BERMUDA. A three-bedroomed furnished house costs £25 a week, and if you have a maid she wants £3 a week and her keep and a private bathroom.

You would need £2,000 a year to live here without working. So paradise isn't cheap. Bikini costumes are not allowed on the beach, and women must not wear too short shorts. Four inches above the knee is the regulation length, and women visitors who go about in anything shorter than that may get a green ticket from a policeman.

The ticket has a notice on it suggesting that they go home and change into something less embarrassing. About 600 tickets are handed out each summer. All the houses in Bermuda have white lime-washed roofs. It is the law. The reason is that all the water drunk on the island is caught on the roofs and the lime helps to purify it.

WHERE shorts must be long WHERE bikinis are barred WHERE goldfish are free

Speed limit

THE weather is lovely just now—like an English July of August, with the bathing beaches full. The sun has been shining all day, and the gardens are bright with sub-tropical flowers, as they are the whole year round.

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It looked like a prime red steak before Dr Hannan boiled it. Apart from a slight beef-tea smell it was like fresh meat to eat.

As vegetable to go with the boiled beef I chose some atom-treated carrots. They were slightly soft, but otherwise palatable. I finished with black currants—they tasted fine.

Dr Hannan showed me salami sausage, prawns, and ham, reasonably fresh two and a half years after treatment. They had been sealed in transparent

plastic bags or aluminium tins, and put under the beam of an atom-smashing machine for about ten seconds. The rays immediately kill all the germs which cause decay.

Big advantage of atomic sterilization over canning is that it cuts out heating, which overcooks many meat products.

There is still much work to do before the process could be used commercially. But the scientists are looking forward to the time when cheap "frozen" supplies of atom rays will be available in the form of waste products from atom furnaces.

IT WON'T KILL YOU

★ THE BELIEF that hard manual work never killed anybody gets strong support from a new Medical Research Council inquiry.

Doctors have found that men who do heavy work with their hands are only half as likely to die from heart failure as those in sedentary jobs.

They are also far less prone to severe appendicitis, duodenal ulcer and diabetes.

So the doctors suggest that insufficient hard physical effort may be one of the main causes of these complaints.

Gardening may be far more than a satisfying hobby. For desk-bound workers it may be a life-saver.

(London Express Service)

THE CHAPMAN PINCHER COLUMN

YES, MEN ARE BRAINIER THAN WOMEN, SHE SAYS

UNDENIABLE proof that men are more intelligent than women comes from Cambridge University. And it is a woman who provides it.

Mrs Kathleen Watts, a psychologist, has analysed the results of a difficult intelligence test given to more than 700 men and women undergraduates at British universities.

The men consistently put up a better performance. The women were poorer at solving all the problems requiring reasoning power, especially when figures were involved.

This was true whether they were students of medicine, modern languages, mathematics, science, classics, or economics.

The questions and problems were devised by Dr Alice Hilda, also of Cambridge. So they had no masculine bias.

'NOT SURPRISED'

Mrs Watts, who was backed by the Medical Research Council in her inquiry, is satisfied that the test really showed up differences in intelligence and not merely differences in knowledge.

She told me: "I was not particularly surprised by the results. I was not surprised either. I have always maintained that women are not equipped by

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SHAKE-UP DIDN'T SHAKE 'EM

By Les Armour

London.

THE sun shone brightly; bus travellers continued to talk about amog masks and Mrs Smith's baby. It takes, after all, more than a War Office statement to startle Londoners.

Nevertheless, calculated on a mathematical basis, their prospect of survival had decreased a fraction.

The War Office announced, with appropriate caution, that a big shake-up is under way in the Anti-Aircraft Command. After the shake-up, the Command will have been pared to a minimum.

The change is a direct result of a "recent review of the air defence organisation in the light of changes which have taken place since the war."

But "changes" should probably have been singular.

The phrase refers, as the statement grudgingly admits later on, to the arrival of the guided missile.

In other words, the production of 2,000-mile-an-hour radio-controlled craft is a lot nearer to becoming a military fact than most of us thought.

Britain may lead the world in guided missile development. But potential enemies will not lag far behind. After all, the Russians produced an H-bomb only nine months after the Americans.

Thus two problems immediately emerge—the moral, the other geographical.

A target moving at 2,000-mile-an-hour is difficult to hit at best. When, as with guided missiles, the target follows an erratic and unpredictable course, anti-aircraft batteries become futile.

If the guided missile is beyond the control of anti-aircraft batteries then, for the moment at least, attack is not only the best defence but the only defence.

Britain, however, is unlikely to lead an attack.

And a well-planned guided missile attack could easily be sufficiently devastating to make retaliation difficult.

The other problem, happily, is less complex. It is the fact that Russian bases in Eastern Germany are only 500 to 600 miles from London. Western bases are nearly twice that far from Moscow.

For the moment, then, Britain is within range of Soviet missiles; the reverse does not apply.

Time and development will cancel out the geographical advantage, and defence tactics against guided missiles will almost certainly emerge.

In the interim, keeping the peace has become more vital than ever before.

By Frank Robbins

JOHNNY HAZARD



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WEEK-END WOMANSENSE

WOMAN'S PLACE IN THE HOME?

By ANNE HEYWOOD

"I WISH somebody would explain to me," one reader writes, "how in the world men come to the conclusions they do."

"I have been married for five years and have a three-year-old daughter. My husband is one of the old-fashioned kind who believes that woman's place is in the home."

"Our daughter is now in nursery school, and we cannot afford any more children. I am dying to get a job, but up to now have deferred to his very strong feeling against it."

An Odd Thing

Recently, however, I have noticed a very odd thing. Much though he talks about not liking women who work outside the home, my husband invariably singles them out at cocktail parties or at the home of friends. I have tried not to be jealous, but he seems specially fascinated by one girl who has an antique shop, and another who does a book review column for our local paper.

"I'm a very good cook and everybody raves about my cooking, although I'm not particularly fond of doing it, but my husband seems to feel I have no talents at all."

"Isn't there any way I can make him value me more? After all, I'm a living example of the kind of woman he claims that he admires."

This is a variation of the age-old problem of the husband who won't let his own wife wear scarlet nail polish and crazy hats, but who flirts outrageously with the women who do.

Must Value Herself First

First of all, I would say that this woman's husband is never going to value her for her cooking or housewifely skills for the simple reason that she doesn't value herself for them. I could "buy" as at the price tag we put on ourselves, and if her cooking is just a chore to her, even though she does it well, she is not going to get any particular attention. If it gave her a great sense of accomplishment, she would walk and talk and behave like a woman who felt sure of her achievement; then she would get the attention she is seeking.

She doesn't say what kind of job she has been thinking of getting outside the home, but I would suggest strongly that she find one which greatly interests her, then ask her husband if he would agree to her taking it on a three-months' trial basis. The chances are that she would come alive and become so pleased with herself that he—no matter what he may say to the contrary now—will be equally pleased with her.

Nobody ever values us unless we value ourselves. The effort to please a husband by trying to do what he thinks he wants you to do, is always a losing proposition.



From Paris: Kimono in pearl-coloured satin encrusted with beads and pearls (left).

From London: Fitted jacket in cream, blue and gold brocade. It has the new rounded shoulders, bracelet length sleeves and its back tapers down from the shoulders into a broad band on the hem.



Relax And Enjoy Your Children, Educationist Advises

Chicago. MRS. Frances Horwich, a teacher with 3,000,000 "pupils," says that too many parents take their responsibility so seriously they don't enjoy their children.

"What's worse," she added, "the children can't enjoy their parents."

Mrs. Horwich is the "Miss Frances" of the NUC-TV "Ding-Dong School" programme for children of kindergarten age. She has received so many requests for her formula for getting along with the small fry that she's writing a book on the subject, called "How to Have Fun With Your Children."

"Having fun with the children is basic philosophy of living

and family life," Miss Frances said.

"It's the main achievement in life. What else is there, if you're going to be a parent, besides enjoying children and helping the children enjoy you?"

She urges parents to "relax—with good sense."

Mothers and fathers should, she said, look back to their own childhoods and remember those things which were happy or unhappy, to guide themselves in rearing the next generation.

Above all, parents must remember that children have all the feelings of grown people. "Big people sometimes forget that about little people," she explained.

Miss Frances said, parents should take a middle course in

teaching children to assume responsibility.

"If a child is told to pick up his blocks, it's a mistake to make him pick them all up alone. He soon grows discouraged and stops."

"But if the parent picks up all of them, the child learns he can shirk responsibility."

"The responsibility becomes fun, however, if he picks up half the blocks while the parent picks up the rest. Soon the responsibility becomes a habit and he picks them all up."

Miss Frances holds a doctor's degree in education and child development from Northwestern University. A native of Ottawa, O., she is 45 and has been in the education field for 22 years.

—United Press.

Glamour For All Evening Occasions

By DOROTHY BARKLEY

LONDON.

THE evening jacket is something which fashion usually passes by. The same styles turn up in the same materials year after year.

But this season all that has changed. For the evening jacket has been rescued by designers in Paris and London, from its slough of despond. It appears in new styles, new materials. And it is rapidly becoming popular for evening occasions both with diners-out and stay-at-homes.

So popular, in fact, that it is being called the poor girl's mink. It is bought just as much for appearance as for warmth. And it brings glamour to a gala event.

Canasta coat

Though the style varies to suit the occasion—it may be a canasta coat, TV cape, or theatre wrap—the material used is basically the same.

It may be a velvet embossed with spots of pearly-coloured silk the size of dinner plates, like those on a pierrot's costume, or a rich brocade with a design like that on the famous willow pattern china. For casual jackets, printed corduroy and Paisley-patterned silks are first choice.

If there's a chance of your going to a regimental dinner in a chilly hall, or playing bridge in a cold parlour, you can fight off the draughts by making sure your evening jacket is in one of the new quilted cottons.

If, on the other hand, you are entertaining in the light of the tropic moon, then there are Indian silks criss-crossed with a gold thread, fresh white cottons and embroidered organs from which to choose.

Rich and exotic

The short kimono style is the evening jacket at its most elegant. One Paris design, which Elizabeth has sketched here, was carried out in pearl-coloured satin encrusted with beads and pearls. The resulting material was so stiff that the jacket could almost stand up by itself. It was rich enough to make a prince envious, and more exotic than the dress it covered. To go with it—the long cigarette holder, the plain dress with the hobble skirt, and long black gloves.

The fitted jacket is the style which goes with the ballarina dress or the cocktail dress with the new short skirt. The jacket itself also has a new length—mid-way between waist and hips. The model Elizabeth has sketched is in a

cream, blue and gold brocade. It has the new rounded shoulders, bracelet length sleeves, and its back tapers down from the shoulders into a broad band on the hem.

The blazer is the version of the evening jacket which has been appropriated from our brother's wardrobe to go with the velvet drapings slacks. Naturally, it's made up in material with a blazer stripe and the particular one making news just now is the furnishing fabric, Regency striped satin.

For the dark sophisticated girl who goes in for colour, there's a kimono-styled jacket in Chinese red brocade with a silver leaf pattern. It's hip length and has a full back which looks best over a tight-fitting black evening dress.

Something casual

For those who want something casual for evenings at home, there are jackets cut on the style of a man's shirt and worn outside the skirt. These have stiff collars and cuffs, and the correct three-inch split up each side seam. In fact, the only difference between them and a shirt is the length. These shirt-jackets are cut to the new length, mid-way between waist and hips.

To fit in with the mood for smarter evening wear, the everyday top coat has been glamourised. One such coat was in white brushed wool with a quilted lining of white silk. It went over a sheath dress of white wool lace.

And evening head-dresses have made the biggest comeback since pre-war days. But whether or not they'll be worn is anyone's guess. If the family strong-box doesn't run to a diamond tiara, then the next best thing is a "crown" of white ostrich feathers. Most fantastic head-dress I've seen is a white bird which perches on the forehead, beak down, tall up. Puzzle out yourself how it stays put.

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Uncle Sam Makes Science Of Size

Washington. UNCLE Sam, worried about the appearance of the American woman, has come up with a scientific method for making clothes fit better with fewer alterations.

The Commerce Department has submitted the "scientific sizing" method to the women's wear industry, for criticism and approval, and there's a good chance it may be in use by the time you buy next autumn's clothes.

The department says the system does not mean that all women will be able to buy clothes or dress-making patterns which fit perfectly, but at least the bulk of alterations will be eliminated.

Now, for instance, there is one misses' size 14. Unless you are a "perfect" 14, alterations are needed. Under the department's system, you could buy any one of nine variations of the size, depending on whether your height is regular, tall or short, and whether your hips are regular, full or slender.

Department officials say it will eliminate a lot of troubles for women who now find themselves faced with the choice of buying a dress that is either too narrow in the hips, or too full across the bust. Teenagers will find it easier to buy dresses that fit their growing bosoms and hips but aren't too large around their cherished waistlines. And older women with that "middle-age" spread will find it easier to buy dresses that allow for that girth and aren't too big above and below it.—United Press.

SHAPE IS EVERYTHING...IT'S THE BULGING TRUTH

By Ida Jean Kain

THIS season's clothes take on the shape of the figure—and that's no secret. The fashionable new line is fitted to the body from just under the bosom to the top of the thigh—a design to perfect the entire figure, according to fashion reports.

Hal One brush with this long-torso style brings a rude awakening to figure shortcomings. A couple of weeks back I enthusiastically pictured this flattering fashion doing wondrous things for us short-waisted girls. Then I tried on these high style numbers, in size 12. The blushing truth is that even holding my breath, my waist did not appear a willow-ward. Rather, this new direction line reveals every nuance of every curve, or bulge, as the case may be.

It's not the fault of the fashion, exactly. It can make

the waist appear incredibly small—if it is! And no doubt the entire midsection will be one long willowy curve. If your figure is silken slim and shapely. But I regretfully report the style does not whittle the mid-section measurement a whit, and works no slimming miracles on a 20-inch waistline on a girl who is just a whiff over 5 feet tall, stretched.

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Since I generously point out the common figure faults accentuated each season, I thought you'd enjoy hearing that your figure expert is out on a fashion limb, so to speak. Wonder how many calories come with "rattling crow"?

Here's the rhythm routine that will make for that one long willowy curve—and I'm talking it right along with you. Confession will prove good for my silhouette.

Position: Standing, feet slightly separated, arms down at

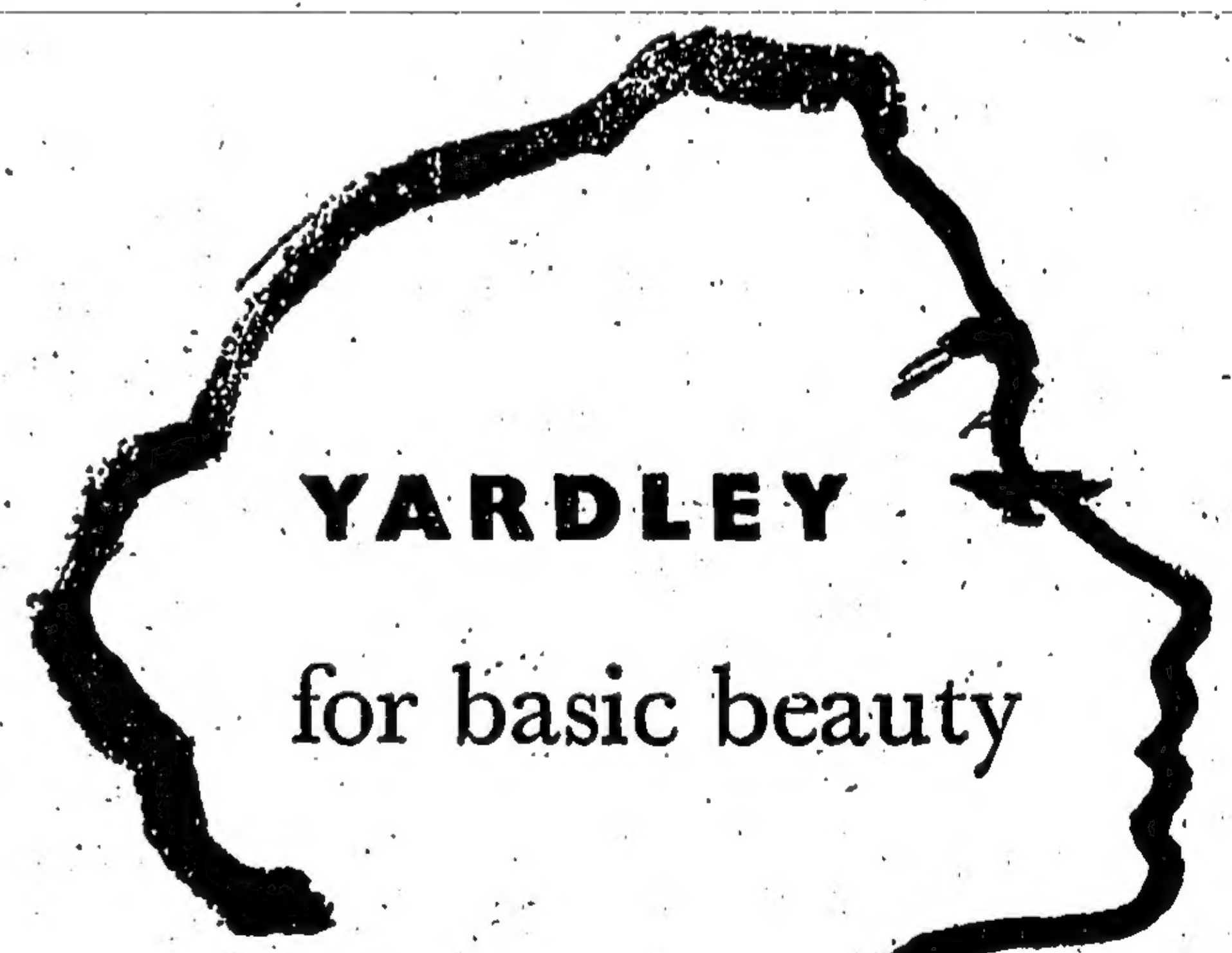


Be Silken Slim

sides. Action: Swing right arm up, move right leg back, touching toes to floor and pull it through the middle measurement—the one we're trying to make silken slim. Stretch with left arm and left leg. Repeat 8 counts, alternating sides, stretching smoothly.

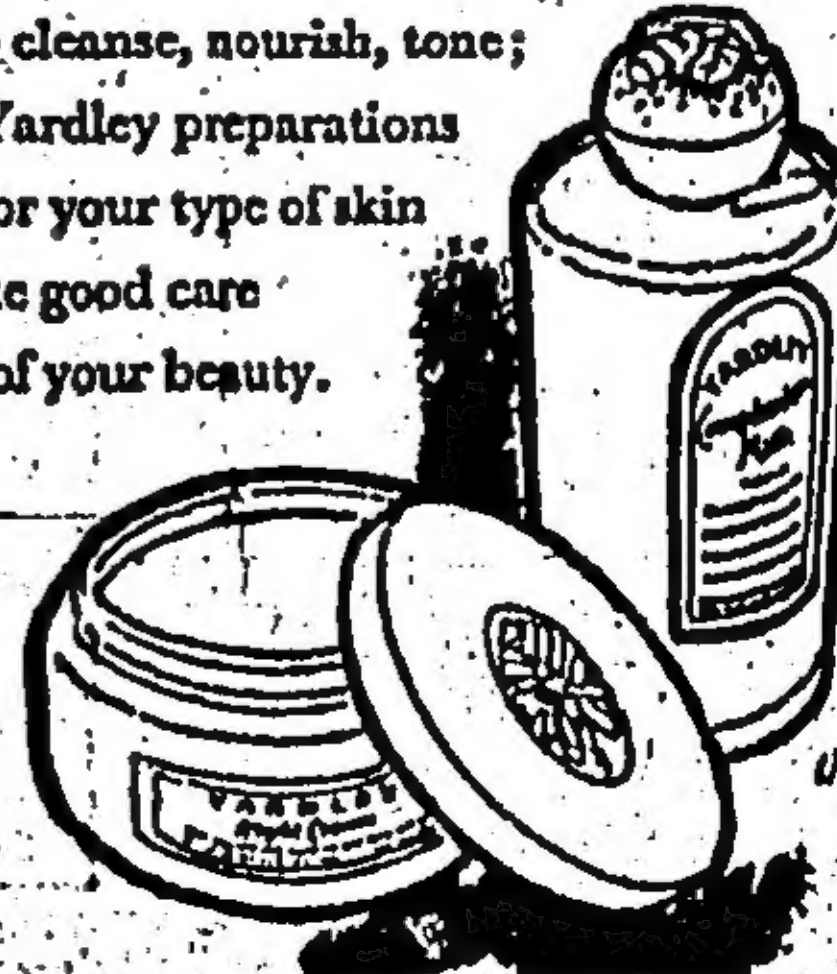
From same standing position, feet apart, arms arched overhead, add a smooth sidebend, bending only so far as comfortable. Come back to centre, bend to other side, 8 to 12 counts.

Turn on a dime and swing with the rhythm. Standing feet wide apart, arms arched overhead. Action: Sway, loose and limber over to the right and, as you sway, let the right knee bend, away away over, then swing the trunk up and over to the other side, this time bending the left knee. As you sway to each side, let one foot come almost off floor as you increase the side-bend. It's the most suppling exercise ever! My, I feel looser, slimmer already!



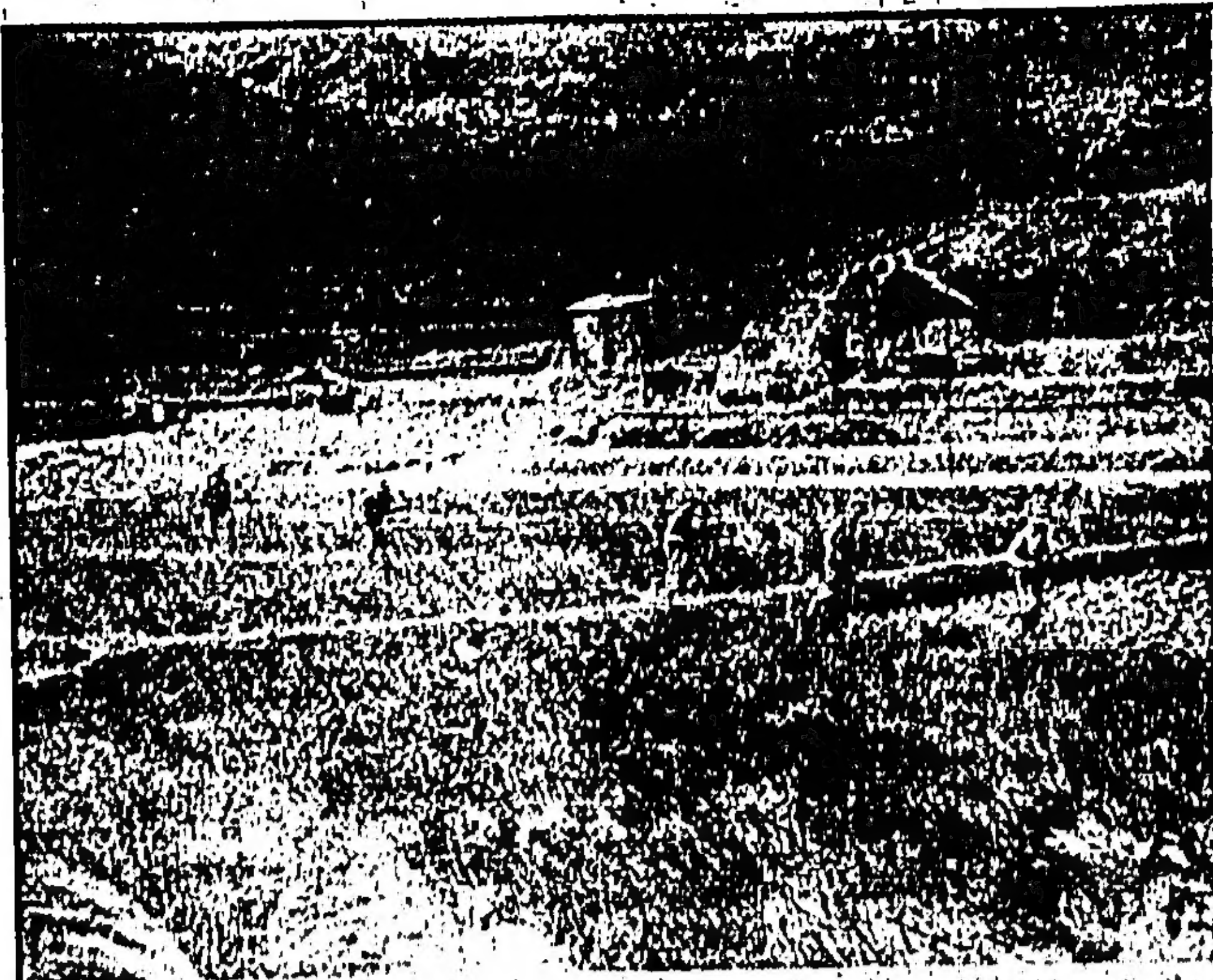
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HIS Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, visited units of the Royal Hongkong Defence Force at their annual camp at Saikung on Monday. He is here seen talking to members of the Special Service Platoon of the Hongkong Regiment and the newly-formed Regimental Band. Corner picture shows personnel moving across country in an exercise. (Staff Photographer)

THE Rt Rev. R. O. Hall, Bishop of Hongkong, Mr G. E. Morden, Mr Fung Ping-fan and Mr D. Benson conversing at the cocktail party held at the Bankers' Club on Monday to launch an appeal on behalf of the new St John's College. (Staff Photographer)



MRS Fung Mo-ying, whose pony, Half Moon Bay, won the St Andrew's Stakes at the Valley last Saturday, holds the trophy presented to her by the Chieftain of St Andrew's Society, Mr J. McKelvie (left). On her left is the winning jockey, Mr Kenneth Kwok. (Staff Photographer)

MR Peter Alan Lee Viro, well-known Hongkong solicitor, and Miss Joy Alison Evelyn Mansfield were married last month at Upton Vale Church, Torquay, and the reception, where above picture was taken, was held at the Redcliffe Hotel, Paignton. Mrs Viro will join her husband here before Christmas.



RIGHT: Snapped at the cocktail party given on board the new Messageries Maritimes luxury liner, Cambodge, on her arrival last Sunday are (right to left) Captain A. Bergerot, Mr C. Leroux, Hongkong manager of the company, and Chief Purser M. P. Rebuffat. (Staff Photographer)

PRESENTATION of prizes by Mrs M. W. Turner at the conclusion of the Colony hardcourt tennis competitions last Sunday at the Chinese Recreation Club. Top: Ip Koon-hung, singles champion, receives his prize. Lower picture shows the schoolboys' singles champion, Francis Ma. (Staff Photographer)

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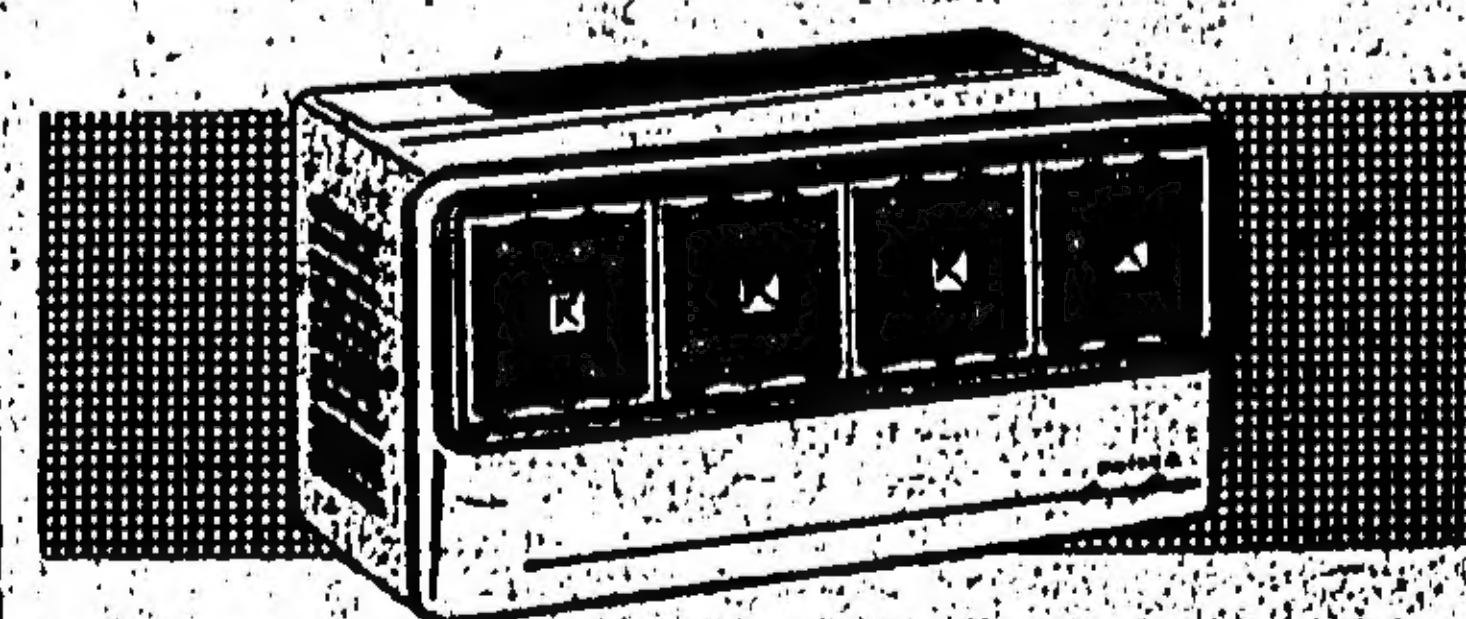


THE annual match between Royal Hongkong Golf Club members of St Andrew's and St George's Societies was played at Fanling last Sunday in excellent weather, and resulted in a win for St Andrew's. Picture shows those who took part. (Golden Studio)

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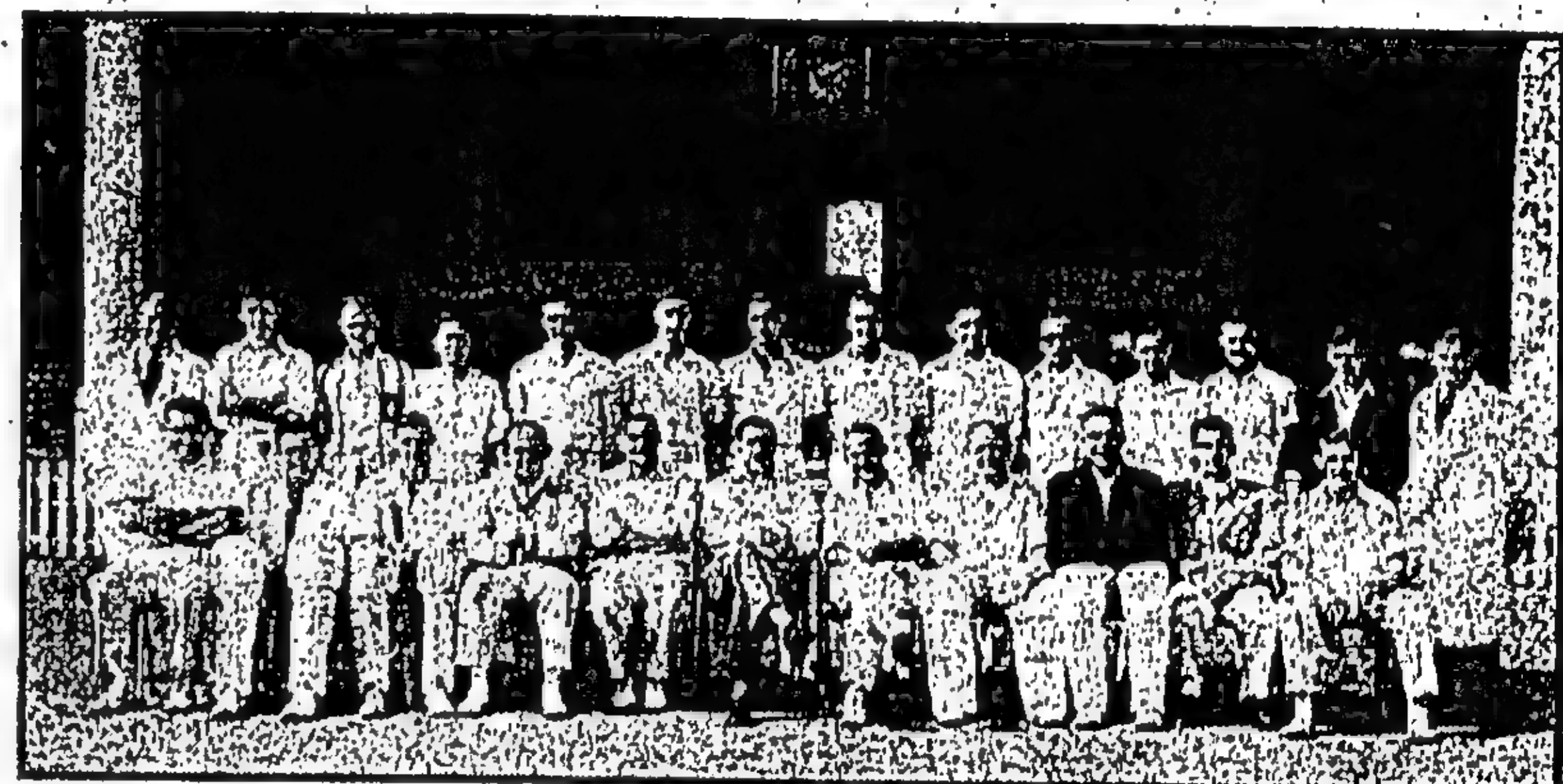
MR Derek Alan Wyatt and his bride, the former Miss Joan Barton, leaving St Andrew's Church after their wedding last Saturday. (Mayfair)

THREE school prizegivings that took place last week are depicted here. Top left: Mrs F. I. Tsoung distributing prizes at the Hoop Yunn Girls' School. Lower left: Mrs J. Finnie at the Ying Wa Girls' School. Below: The Rt. Rev. Lawrence Bianchi, Catholic Bishop of Hongkong, at the Wah Yan College. (Staff Photographer)



MR and Mrs P. M. N. da Silva, who celebrated their Golden Wedding last Sunday, surrounded by their close relatives at the reception marking the event. (Willie's)

BELOW: Players representing England and Australia who took part in the Hazzard Shield "Test" last Sunday. England won. (Ming Yuen)

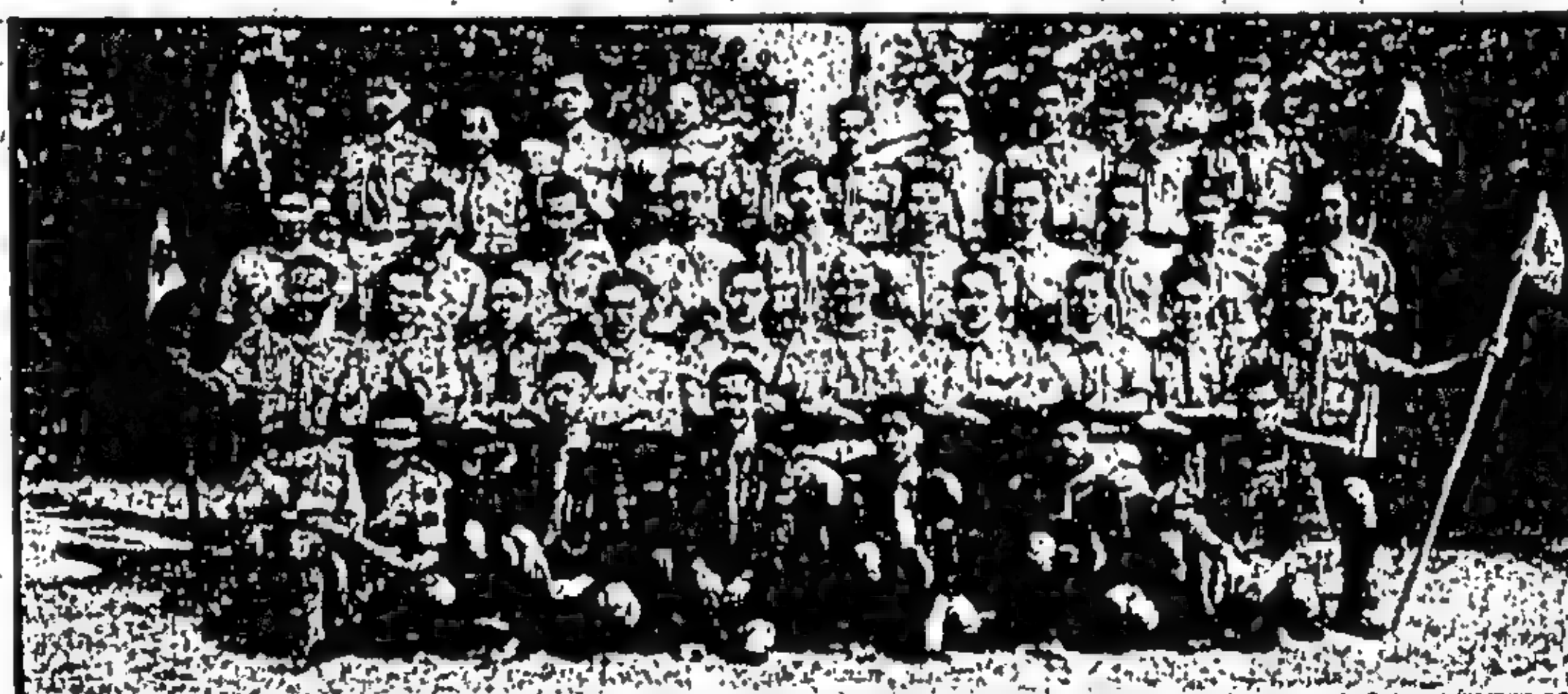


HIS Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, trying his hand at the revolver range during a visit to the Special Constabulary camp at Aberdeen on Wednesday. (Staff Photographer)



MR D. L. Strollott wearing the insignia of a Chevalier of the Order of Orange-Nassau presented to him by the Netherlands Consul-General on Monday. Mr Strollott has been legal advisor to the Netherlands Consulate for many years. (Staff Photographer)

RIGHT: Those who took part in the Scouters' preliminary training course (Chinese speaking) at the Branch Headquarters of the Boy Scouts Association. In charge was Mr Hon Cho Hay. (Chan's Studio)



PICTURE taken at the Kowloon Union Church last Sunday when Victor Ronald Wyle, three-month-old son of Mr and Mrs R. E. J. Wyle, was christened. (Willie's)



MR Donald Charles Symons and Miss Danuta Anna Madar pictured as they left the Rosary Church after their wedding last Saturday. (Staff Photographer)

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PRACTICAL HOMECRAFT

Simplest Way To Keep Kitchen Immaculate

By ELEANOR ROSS

YOUR kitchen is not apt to need much extra planning in the special housecleaning effort. Kitchen cleanliness is so important that it has probably been getting thorough day-in, day-out care all year.

But with housecleaning on your mind, now is a good time to take stock, and see if the job is being done as quickly and effectively as you would like.

Perhaps the simplest way to be sure that every corner and crevice is getting its share of attention is to divide the work into daily, weekly and monthly jobs.

The Daily Tasks

The daily tasks might include a good sink scouring with acid and very hot water. The range should be wiped with a clean, sudsy sponge after each cooking bout. This should be done after the stove cools, to avoid cracking the enamel. Soak stubborn, baked-on spots with warm, soapy water for a few minutes, then wipe off. Remove discoloration with baking soda, then wash with soap and water. Suds the drip pan. Wipe off the exterior of the refrigerator with a sudsy sponge, and, of course, clean up any spills inside as soon as they occur. Suds off all counters and work areas. Sweep floor and then mop it.

The Weekly Cleaning

Weekly tasks should include defrosting and cleaning the refrigerator, a really thorough job that includes washing the drip pan, and wiping off all jars and food containers. The range should get a weekly cleaning also, with

burners or reflector pans removed and placed in thick, hot suds for a scrubbing with a stiff brush. Burners and dry thoroughly before replacing. Wipe housing of pilot light with a soft wire brush, then wash with warm soapsuds. Make sure all is completely dry and properly connected before relighting. If oven has a greasy film, leave a bowl of soapsuds and ammonia in it overnight. Suds away the grime next morning. Place a soapy cloth over burners on spots, then sprinkle with a few drops of ammonia and let dry. When grease is softened, scrub away with stiff brush and warm suds.

Give the floor a weekly wash with hot suds and rinses. Refine utility drawers with fresh paper. A good trick is to line each drawer with several layers at the time removing the top one each week as it is soiled. Pick up crumbs and dust from drawers. Suds off the liners of shelves that are in everyday use. Wash out garbage container with very hot soapsuds and rinse with scalding hot water. If kept lined with wax bags, weekly washing is usually enough.

Once A Month

When it comes to the monthly tasks, laundry curtains and wash walls, woodwork and cabinet doors with soap and water. Remove contents from high cupboards and suds out shelves. Utility drawers should receive a soapsuds sponging, then be dried and relined. With this plan, the kitchen is kept immaculate as befits its importance, and there should be no need for a big seasonal overhaul.

To Brighten Your Party Menu

By ALICE DENHOFF

WE went to a party and came away with a lot of new ideas for pretty and tasty appetisers, all the work of a young wife who thoroughly enjoys her home.

"Firecrackers" made a hit, and to make these, spread thin slices of baked ham with prepared mustard, then with a mixture of cream cheese and crushed pineapple. Roll tightly. Place strip

of green pepper in one end of each to represent the fuse.

Liver Sausage Strawberries

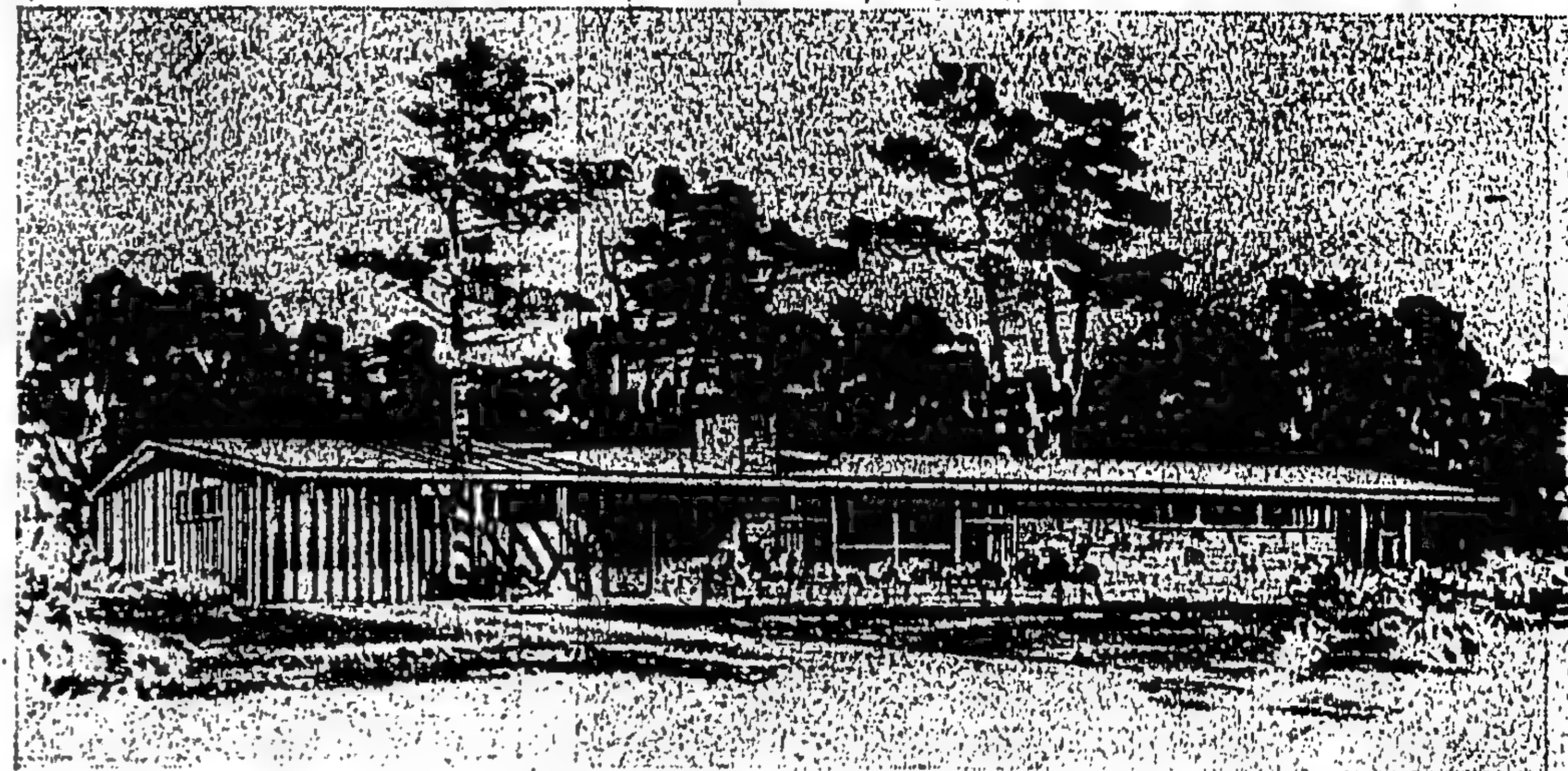
The strawberry-like appetisers were very realistic. For these, mash liver sausage, then shape into strawberry, and roll in finely ground almonds that have been tinted red. Use a tiny bit of mint or watercress for stem and leaf.

Then there were the "tree trunks," made by filling the cavities of two matching pieces of curled celery with any soft cheese spread. Press the two stalks together and stand them upright to resemble tree trunks. For a specially good celery stuffing, enough for 12 pieces celery, mash together a 3-oz. cake cream cheese, 1/4 tsp. salt, 1/2 tsp. each pepper and paprika and a dash of Worcestershire. Moisten with mayonnaise. Mix; use should be spread on celery through a pastry tube.

Caviar Canapes

The caviar canapes were very grand indeed. Spread rounds of bread with anchovy butter made by adding a small amount of anchovy paste to well creamed butter. In centre of each round of bread place one tsp. caviar. Garnish with anchovy butter or cream cheese. Chill in refrigerator. Serve on lettuce leaf, or with a garnish of shredded lettuce or watercress, for a nice colour effect.

YEAR-ROUND GARDEN



By JOAN O'SULLIVAN

FLOWERS can bloom in the spring, summer, autumn or winter in the homes shown here. They're designed with special indoor planting features.

Both of these houses are from a new book by an architect who specialises in designs that offer at least one conversation piece. It may be a den, a de-luxe rummage room, an indoor barbecue, a balcony, covered porch or, as pictured today, an indoor planting area. All are things that set a home apart, give it custom-made charm.

Plan K-336 has long, sweeping lines. It's a handsome house, done in a combination of stone and frame.

Created by Greenery

Like many modern homes, this design combines indoor and outdoor living. Step inside to the foyer and you're greeted by greenery. The planting area is a tropical garden planted in a stone built-in. The double foyer guest closets are built low, with space atop them for evergreens.

A massive stone fireplace next to a picture window makes a distinctive corner in the big living room, inspiring some attractive and comfortable furniture placements. This is an L-shaped room, with one end set aside for dining.

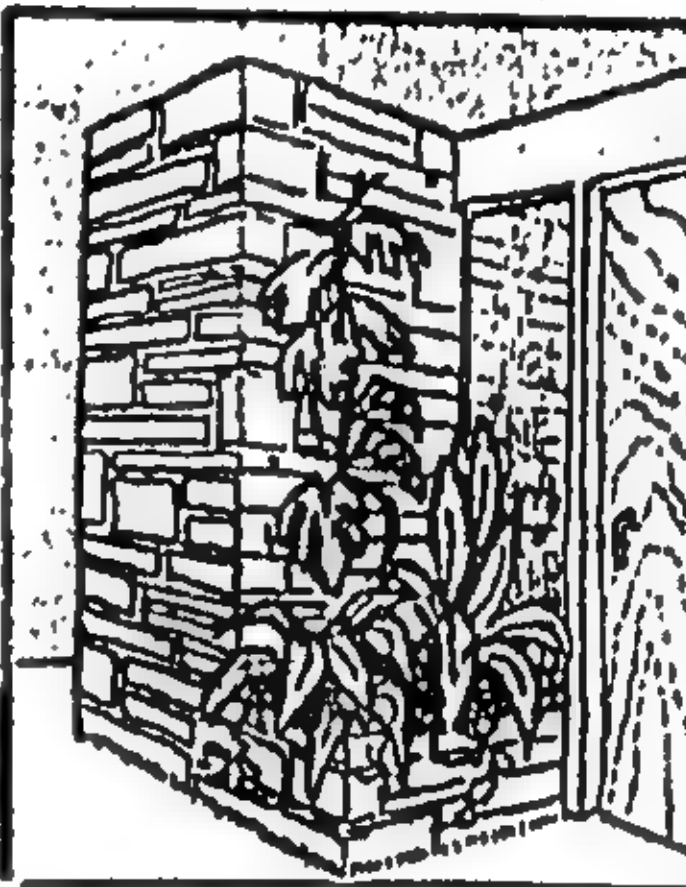
A breakfast nook is part of the efficient kitchen plan, which also includes an adjacent pantry.

Two of the four bedrooms have built-in vanities that will please feminine members of the family. Plan K-336 comprises 1,833 square feet.

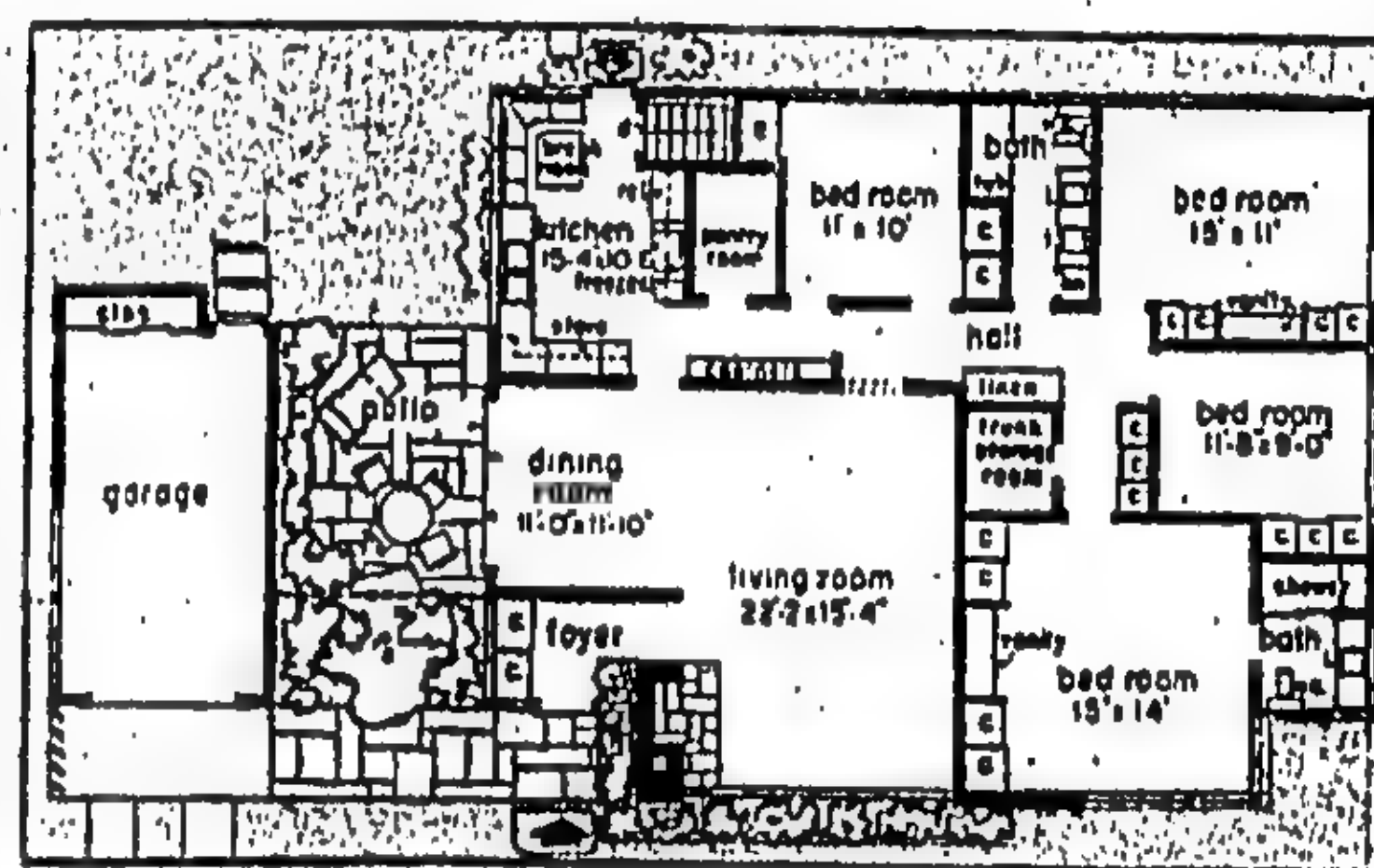
Greenhouse Windows

The planting area is in the basement of the other home pictured here, Plan K-338. Greenhouse windows cover the planting terraces, which add a delightful outdoor touch to the downstairs game or hobby room.

THE EXTERIOR OF THIS HOME, K-336, offers one grand sweeping line of stone and frame. Numerous windows set up a happy relationship between outdoor and indoor living. To the right of the garage, there's an outdoor patio perfect for use as a summer dining room.



A TROPICAL GARDEN in a stone built-in planting box offers a cheery welcome in the front foyer.



THE FLOOR PLAN OF K-336 shows all its special features—built-in vanities, kitchen pantry, trunk storage room, numerous closets.



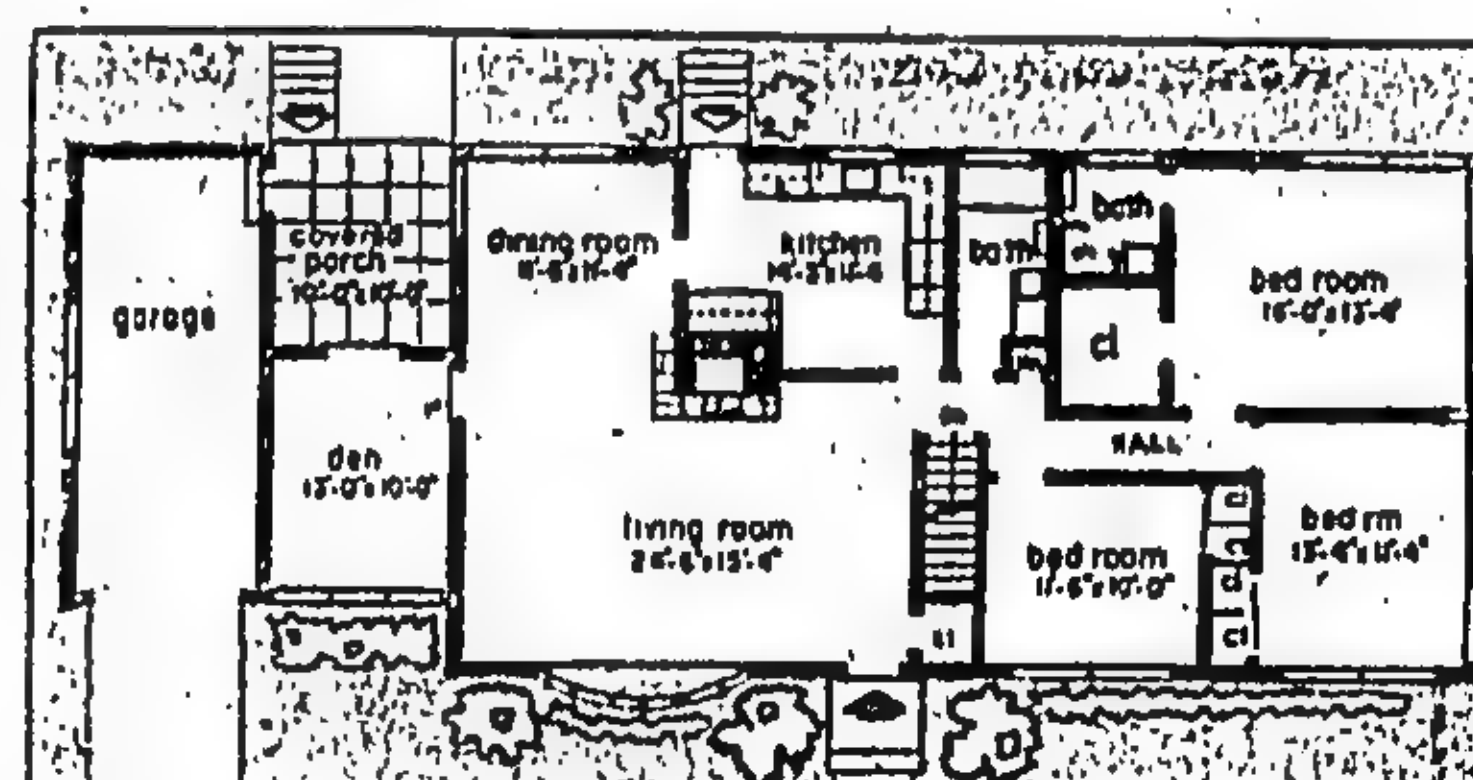
On the main floor, conservatory type windows provide lovely glimpses of outdoor greenery. No dark corners in this house!

The living room merges into the dining area, adjacent to the L-shaped kitchen. To the left of these activity centres is a covered porch and a cozy little den.

Sleeping quarters are at the right side of the home. The master bedroom has its own bath and a huge walk-in closet that answers a number of storage needs.

House K-338 comprises 1,043 square feet.

CONSERVATORY TYPE WINDOWS and pretty planting areas enhance the exterior of Plan K-338. The finish is a striking combination of brick, boards and battens, and shingles. Asphalt shingle roof.



THE LIVING ROOM merges into the dining area in Plan K-338, with a large adjacent kitchen. There are two baths, three bedrooms.



HERE'S A BRIGHT CORNER of the basement. A greenhouse window recalls plants to get plenty of sunshine, makes the hobby room light.

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SHE LEAVES ROVING PARIS BAR FOR SIMPLER LIFE

By BARBARA MILLER

PARIS. A STATUESQUE former showgirl who fought and won a three-year battle with the French law for the honour of owning the only houseboat-night club allowed in Paris, is leaving it all behind for the simple pleasures of America's Middle West.

Chestnut-haired Lisa Perrin, whose 5-foot, 9½-inch stature made her a former Billy Rose showgirl, said her five years in the sophisticated "City of Light" made her all the more ready to leave this winter.

"You just can't beat the good old States," she said. "She opened her Water Gipsy Club in 1950 aboard a broken-down 8 x 22-foot hulk.

River police soon discovered it and her battle with the law started. Under local safety laws it was illegal within city limits.

The roving bar wandered up and down the Seine River from one bridge to another, as temporary permissions to moor were issued by one authority and cancelled by another.

Customers found it great sport. They never knew if they could find the perambulating nightspot. Often they didn't. "It was heartbreaking to see an automobile full of potential customers driving along on the other side of the river after one of our sudden shifts and not be able to find us," Lisa said sadly. She finally won permission to moor permanently opposite the Eiffel Tower.

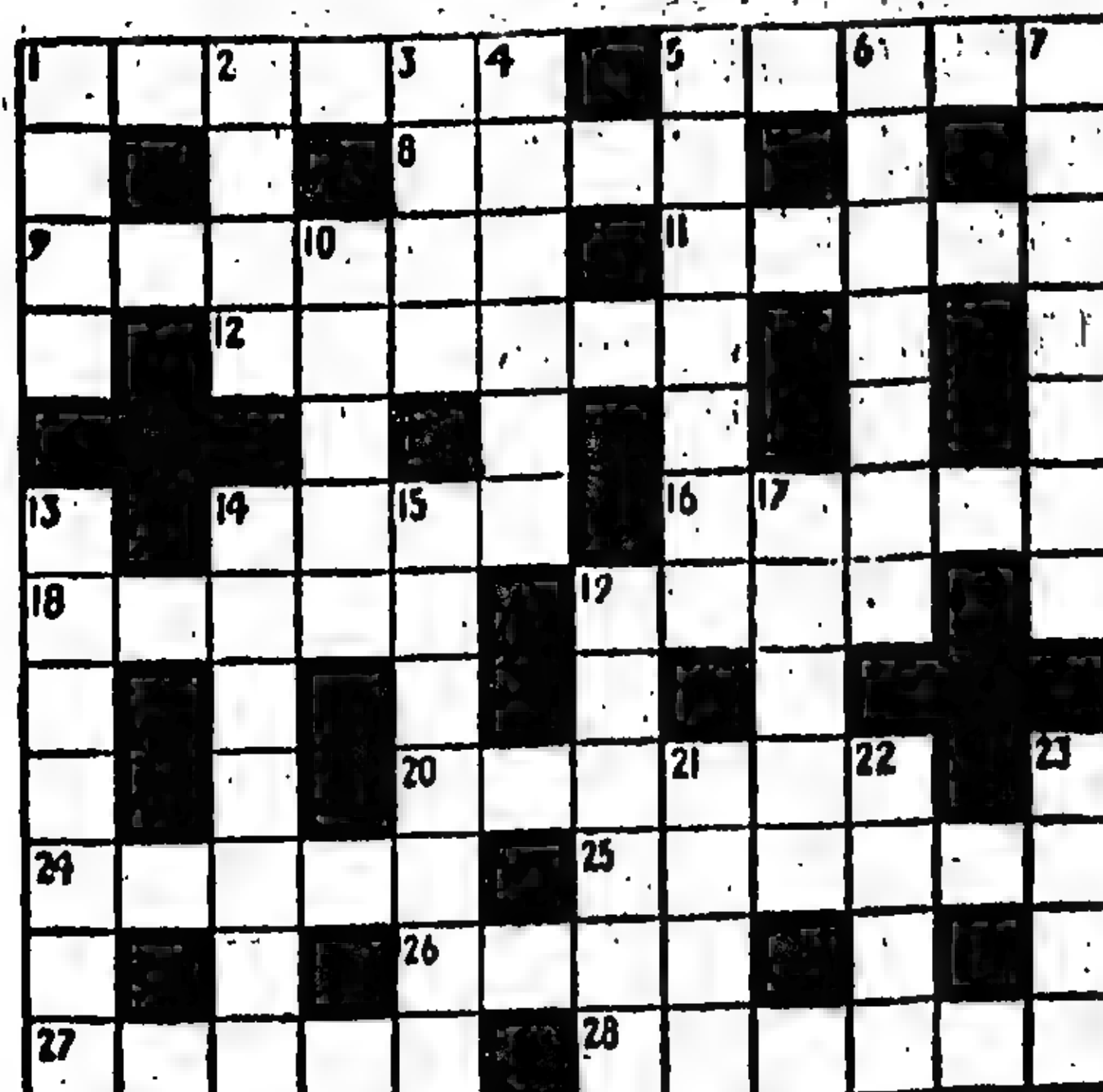
"I'm not leaving it forever," Lisa said. "I'll be back in Paris next summer, but in the meantime I want to open another club in Palm Beach, Fla., for the winter."

The blue-eyed, 23-year-old daughter of Mr and Mrs Charles Perrin of Milford, O., has other reasons for wanting to go home. Her two-year-old French-born son is with his grandparents and she misses him.

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Lisa and Andre both live and work on the matchbox-size boat, but they have other plans. Lisa just bought a 16 x 70-foot cement boat and intends to rebuild the tiny bar to a full-fledged cabaret by next summer.—United Press.

A. British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 1 Walks pompously (6).
 - 5 Scrap (5).
 - 8 Precious stone (4).
 - 9 Carry on again (6).
 - 11 Sufficient (5).
 - 12 International agreement (6).
 - 14 Disorder (4).
 - 16 Observes (5).
 - 18 Minimum (6).
 - 19 Incites (4).
 - 20 Like better (6).
 - 23 Oppose (5).
 - 25 Keenness (4).
 - 27 Fear (5).
 - 28 Highly delighted (6).
- DOWN**
- 1 Aglio (4).
 - 2 Repose (4).
 - 3 Book (4).
 - 4 Utters (7).
 - 6 Killing (7).
 - 7 Echoes (7).
 - 10 Presses (5).
 - 13 Concentrated (7).
 - 14 Knead (7).
 - 15 Ceased (7).
 - 17 Monsters (6).
 - 19 Came out (6).
 - 21 Sense (4).
 - 22 Fissure (4).
 - 23 Fastener for shirt-front (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1 Tress, 4 Rascal, 8 Pastor, 10 Tango, 12 Record, 14 College, 17 Ride, 19 Unalike, 20 Consult, 22 Loos, 23 Arsenal, 27 Regret, 29 Verse, 30 Semmon, 31 Reward, 32 Ruddy. Down: 1 Tangle, 2 Eased, 3 Shore, 5 Alto, 6 Candid, 7 Lotted, 9 Regular, 11 Arrive, 13 Centres, 15 Oboe, 16 Lassies, 18 Demi, 20 Clever, 21 Narrow, 24 Steer, 25 Nomad, 26 Candy, 28 Gear.



THIS DREAM MEANS:

Probe deeply enough into a dream — or better still a sequence of dreams — and you will find a wish and a fear and a conflict between them.

Here the wish seems to be to have another child: the fear is that it may not be acceptable to your little daughter.

There seems to be some difficulty about

getting the child: it seems to require an operation (cutting a hole in the window); it involves expense (you get it from a shop); there seems to be a need for secrecy (it all happens at night).

Dreaming of the child as a doll suggests you may be wishing yourself back to childhood again when you could get reassurance and help when you felt helpless. A wise and trusted physician is probably your best adviser at this stage.

PARADE A COLUMN OF THE UNUSUAL ABOUT PEOPLE AND PLACES AND THINGS

OF MICE A "luxury hotel" caught in the handle of an open window. He dangled there badly shocked until rescuers pulled him through a window.

COSMETIC BAN No longer may Dutch teen-agers wear lipstick or nail varnish in school.

FORGOTTEN FIGHT Something big happened to end a fight between Roman legionnaires and barbaric Visigoths 2,000 years ago.

HELPING HAND What is the value of a human life? In Paris it depends on how wet you get in saving one.

DOUBLE TAKE Chance's long arm reached twice into Johannesburg the other day.

TURN OF COAT West-friendly Marshal Tito is giving his Army new uniforms—minus most of the Soviet-style board-like epaulettes denoting officer's rank.

MORE TURTLE SOUP Last year's Monte Bello atom tests, far from killing off marine life, have caused a rapid increase in the number of fish and turtles in the area.

IROQUOIS TEST CASE In a test case that will affect 100,000 Indians living in Canada, the Government honour a 150-year-old treaty allowing them to bring in goods from the United States duty free.

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THAT LITTLE TERROR

An American psychiatrist and a teacher tell parents that spanking, however old-fashioned, may sometimes still be necessary.

By the DOCTOR

A GREAT many families have among their members the sort of child who is described as "a little terror." To find yourself the parent of a little terror is a worrying business—though often enlivening as well.

Fathers and mothers faced with this problem will find much to help them in "The Intelligent Parents' Manual," which has been published as a Penguin Handbook (price 2s. 6d.).

The authors are Americans, Florence Powdermaker being a psychiatrist and Louise Grimes a teacher in a nursery school. But the book has had its transatlantic edges rubbed off by English editing, and British readers will be pleasantly surprised to find the advice given often departs quite a long way from the half-baked teaching of some so-called modern child psychologists. "You must always let the little demons do exactly what they like."

Discussing aggressive behaviour in children, the authors have this to say:

"When one considers the endless number of things a child is told to do during the course of a day, many of which he is too young to see the necessity for, and when one counts the times he is crossed in his wishes, it does not seem surprising that he often and quite normally resents adult authority."

"When a child does feel angry he shows it both by word and deed. At a surprisingly young age he learns to express his fury vocally by abusive language and dismays his parents by his bloodthirsty threats."

Dismays is the operative word. It is fatal for parents to show that they have been seriously disturbed by the naughtiness of a child, for this encourages repetition of the naughtiness. Also, of course, a troublesome child will get great satisfaction from hearing its behaviour discussed by grown-ups.

Many parents still think that destructive and aggressive behaviour in children are forms of original sin and can be cured only by instilling a fear of punishment. But often there is something upsetting in the child's life that is not fully understood by the parents.

A small girl, for instance, who develops a great affection for her father may resent the attention he gives to her mother and show her resentment by defiance.

Some parents are too prone to apply adult standards to their children's behaviour. These are the parents whom you hear in the streets alternately threatening and cajoling an anvil-toddler who is delaying the shopping expedition.

Such young children are physically incapable of hurrying or appreciating the need for hurry. Even to step up from the road on to the pavement is a complex, muscular task requiring due time for its performance.

Besides, there are a bewildering number of things to look at, of dangers to be avoided, of objects to pick up. In fact, any parent who is consistently irritated by a child's tendency to dawdle will soon be a candidate for high blood pressure.

An occasional spanking may, of course, be essential. When a naughty child has been given too much rope and has come to believe that his parents do not really mean what they say, a spanking will show him that there are bounds beyond which his aggression will not be allowed to go. It also may relieve the child of a feeling of guilt.

But parents who are often impelled to punish a child by spanking or otherwise should question whether or not there is something wrong in their relationship with the child and what it is hoped to gain by frequent punishment.

The fortunate child is one who is brought up in a home where the rules for behaviour are few, but resolutely enforced.

MILTON SHULMAN: A BOOK TO TALK ABOUT

THE DAY OF A FAMOUS MURDER

It was certainly a busy day for Prince Felix Youssouf. Most of it was spent studying for examinations which he was to take the next day. In the evening he had a date to murder Rasputin. It was December 29, 1916.

The decision to kill this malevolent priest was taken when Youssouf learned that Rasputin was negotiating a traitorous peace with German agents.

The influence of this corrupt, dissolute peasant came from his hypnotic eyes and the power he exercised over the Tsarina.

The preparations were relatively simple. Rasputin was invited to Youssouf's home in St. Petersburg where he was to be served with cakes and wine. Each cake and each glass was filled with enough potassium cyanide to kill several men instantly.

Ticking

While the co-conspirators played "Yankee Doodle" on a gramophone in an upstairs room Rasputin nibbled away at two of the cakes and drank two glasses of wine. Except for a slight tickling in the throat, the cyanide seemed to have no effect.

Desperately Youssouf poured out more poisoned Madelon wine. Still no effect. Catching

sight of a guitar, Rasputin asked his host to sing him something cheerful. In the circumstances Youssouf thought something sad would be more appropriate.

After two hours of desperate waiting Youssouf lost his faith in cyanide and shot Rasputin through the heart with a revolver. The doctor among the conspirators declared him dead and they left the body in a basement room while they prepared to carry out the rest of their plan.

But some misgivings prompted Youssouf to go back to the room some time later. He felt Rasputin's pulse and there was no beat. But suddenly, to his horror, he saw the left eye open and then the right.

With a sudden violent effort Rasputin leaped to his feet, foaming at the mouth, and grabbed Youssouf by the throat. Youssouf managed to break free and dashed upstairs for help.

Rasputin followed him up the stairs, crawling on hands and knees, "gasping and roaring like a wounded animal." It took four more bullets, finally, to kill Rasputin.

There was nothing in the early life of Prince Youssouf to suggest that he would ever indulge in such an orgy of violence. His autobiography, *Lost Splendour* (Cape, 15s.), indicates a decided aversion from anything energetic.

In disguise

BELONGING to one of the richest and noblest families in Tsarist Russia, Youssouf was the heir to estates stretching hundreds of miles.

His mother, disappointed in his being a boy, dressed him as a girl until he was five. He admits this has had a lasting influence on his character.

As a young man his special delight was wearing women's clothes as a prank. His disguise was so successful that at the opera in Paris he attracted the wandering eye of King Edward, who asked for her name.

The happiest years of his youth were those he spent at Oxford. His entourage as a student included a Russian chef, a French chauffeur, an English valet and housekeeper, a hunter, two polo ponies, a bulldog, and a macaw.

He scandalised London society by installing in his Curzon Street flat a black carpet. It even caused a divorce. An Englishwoman ordered one against her husband's wishes. He considered it a funeral.

"Either me or the carpet," he said. She chose the carpet.

Repercussions

HIS book, filled with the eccentric irresponsibility of grand dukes, princes, and counts, is hardly likely to do much to restore the prestige of the Russian aristocracy.

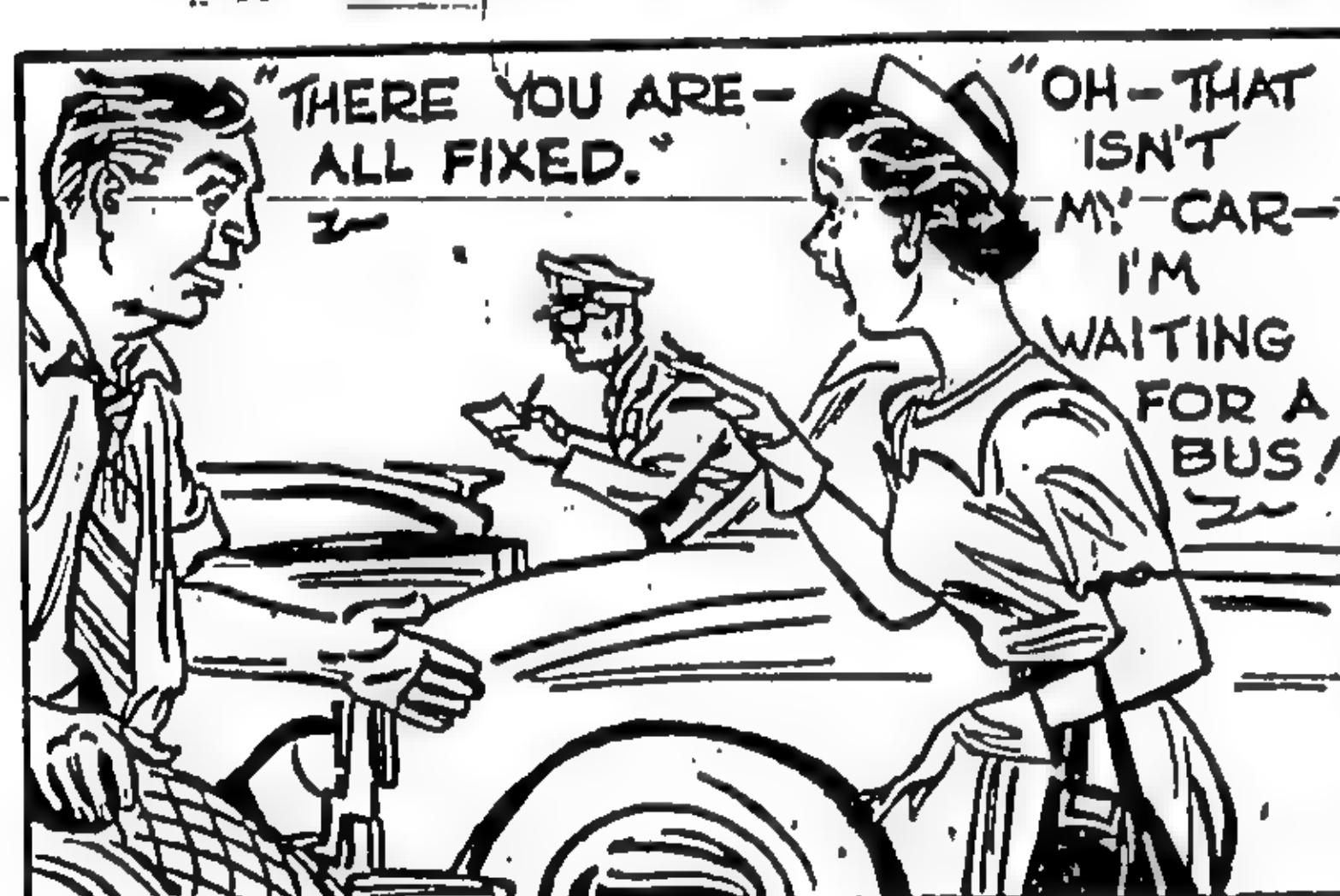
Impervious to the smouldering hate around them, they trilled away their last days in drink and debauchery.

Youssouf's murder of Rasputin had some curious repercussions. It saved his life a number of times while, during the first days of the Revolution, most of his class were being summarily murdered. And he was offered the job of Tsar of Russia. Luckily for him, events prevented him from accepting it.

VIGNETTES OF LIFE

Love's Labor Lost

BY HARRY WEINERT



AND TO TOP IT OFF HE'LL BE FLATTER THAN A BUSTED TIRE AFTER HE PAYS HIS FINE FOR DOUBLE PARKING.



HE ELIMINATED ALL RIVALS FOR THE GIRL OF HIS DREAMS—ONLY TO BE STYMIED BY A POOCH.

THE LEAST SAID ABOUT THIS—THE BETTER.

GO THROUGH HALF THE ENCYCLOPEDIA, ALMANACS, QUIZ BOOKS, ETC. TO PROVE YOUR ARGUMENT—THEN FIND YOU HAVE BEEN ALL WET.

THE CHINA MAIL'S WEEKEND LOCAL SPORTS PARADE

Ladies' League Match The Feature Of The Programme

By "SNOOPER"

A keen week-end softball can be expected with no fewer than nine games scheduled to be played off today and tomorrow. The second round clash between Terry Noronha's six-time Champions, the Wahooks "A", and Pearl Chan's much-improved Pandas will be the feature. The eagerly-awaited return encounter is scheduled for 9.30 a.m. on Sunday, at King's Park.

The last time the two leading teams in the Ladies' League met, the Wahooks ran roughshod over the Pandas, winning by 21-0. But those behind the Pandas, who are the favourites of the good number of Chinese followers of the sport, are confident that Pearl Chan and her colleagues should give the champion Owls a hard fight in this return engagement.

There's no doubt the Wahooks always play best against stiff opposition and they are favoured to beat the Pandas for their sixth straight victory. To date, the Pandas have beaten one of the best teams in the circuit—Benita Remedios' Colleens—by 11-0 and have trained very seriously to provide a papery dose for the Wahooks.

BRIGHT CHANCE
Since the Pandas first set back, sustained in the opening game against the Wahooks, the Chinese ballplayers have four victories to their credit and this is a sufficiently good effort to indicate a bright chance for the Penant.

The flop of the Pandas against the Wahooks in the first round shock coach Willie Woon and manager Pearl Chan but a "crucial return" tilt they have worked out a satisfactory solution to the acute problem that has arisen at a late stage of the season.

Pitcher May Wu, formerly of the Pool To squad, is likely to be the answer to the Pandas' greatest problem.

With May Wu on the mound and with Eugenia Kwok as shock catcher, the Pandas' battery problem is solved and this can make a great deal of difference.

The original Pandas' battery of Pearl Chan and Eugenia Kwok is good, but certainly not good enough in the face of the Wahooks' heavy hitters, including Stella Correa, Irene Starkey, Nana Carvalho and Chuchi Campos.

Although pitcher Pearl Chan is worth support because of her better control of the ball than May Wu, she may not be able to overcome her "inferiority complex" when facing the champion Owls.

This was clearly demonstrated in the first round game when the Wahooks' batters easily knocked her pitches all around the diamond. Whether or not Pearl Chan will be starting for the Pandas is still as uncertain as ever.

The Pandas should have a good chance of exciting some first class infield moves with reliable Dancer Tong at first, Pearl Chan or Ada Kwok at second, Bonnie Chan at third, and Amy Cheng as shortstop. They have shown great promise in previous games and should give all the support to either pitcher May Wu or Pearl Chan.

Outfielders available for selection are Ida Pan, Stella Pui, Lily Lee and Sally Lee. A Pandas' upset victory will chiefly depend on a heroic pitching performance, and it is the opinion of this writer that the task of the Wahooks will be stupified if May Wu is excluded.

ACCUSTOMED

The Wahooks' fans are accustomed to the tantalising softball served up by the champions and there's no doubt of the all round ability which brought them five straight victories to date. In all the games, the Wahooks have shown power in hitting and fielding and against the Pandas' tenacious Terry Noronha and her teammates will be intent on capitalising on any opening to further their ambition to clinch the Penant for the seventh time.

N's team has yet been able to master the Wahooks' defensive system, but the real strength of the champions is tied up in experience and teamwork and

their "superiority complex". Pitcher Terry Noronha is expected to carry the hopes of the Owls with Nana Carvalho behind the plate.

Infielders who have played a major part in the Wahooks' previous wins are Doreen O'Zorio at first, Bernadine Remedios at second, Stella Correa at third and Irene Starkey as shortstop. Outfielders appearing for the Wahooks tomorrow are centre-fielder Chuchi Campos, left-fielder A. Mendonca and right-fielders Dawn Dragon and Stella Colloco.

In the other Ladies' game, Benita Remedios' Colleens, out of action last week, are strongly tipped to beat the Chinese Athletic Association. This game should provide the Colleens an opportunity to earn up in preparation for their crucial game next week when they come up against the Wahooks.

The writer has been informed that pitcher Aldo Oliveira will not be available owing to a nose injury sustained during a practice session and his place will likely be filled by Benita Remedios.

The welcome return of shortstop Sheila Silva to the Colleens' fold should brighten things up for coach Eddie Marques and with steady performers in Pamela Hill, Antonia Remedios, and Sally Sun in good form, a defeat is most unlikely.

SENIOR "A" GAMES

Two Senior "A" games are billed for Sunday with Jirodo Hussain's Saints playing the USS Cockrell and the Rexes meeting the winless Warriors.

The result of last week's game against the Pandas brings back the familiar warning to the Saints that they cannot hope to regain the Penant if they continue holding their veterans.

Manager Hussain was able to make several changes in the line-up against the Pandas last Sunday, but failed to take advantage of the presence of youngsters such as Joaquim Colloco, Saleh, Harry Kwok and Ribeiro, completely neglecting them.

The downfall of the Saints could also be attributed to a wrong line-up of batters and this must have been most disconcerting to their supporters and upsetting to the players.

It seems that the Saints don't realize that they have time and again fielded the oldtimers and have industriously benched the youngsters.

One of the best tributes this writer can pay these youngsters is to say they have faithfully appeared at King's Park every Sunday with little prospect of figuring in the games.

It is up to team manager Hussain to rectify this so that in the game against the USS Cockrell the best possible use can be made of their talent. The Cockrell ballplayers did not show much improvement last Sunday when they were beaten by the Rexes in a colourless game, and will have to produce first rate ball to beat the Saints.

Although the Rexes are an improved side, it will undoubtedly be a hard struggle for pitcher Nazarin and his players against Alfredo Oliveira's Warriors in the other game.

The Warriors, who have so far dropped three games in a row, look good for a win. With Joe Franco pitching, there is no reason why the Warriors should not break their losing streak.

Jimmy Herriek's Pandas should experience no trouble overcoming Hongkong University in the only Senior "B" Division tilt.

TODAY'S GAMES

Four Junior Division games will be down for decision today. With the Chinese Athletic Association first team doing so well in the League, Frank Poon's boys should keep their lead with a win over David Cooper's 23 Gunners.

A good game should be seen between the Pandas and the Rookies while the Maumaus are expected to account for the Cubs. In the last game of the afternoon a win for the Dodgers over the Comets is likely.

SPORTING SAM

By Reg. Wootton



SATURDAY SOCCER SPOT

LET US SEE NO MORE OF THE TICKET TOUTS

Says I.M. MacTAVISH

Since last Sunday so much has been said and written in criticism of South China's pre-sale of tickets for the KMB game that I feel I must—in fairness to the many disappointed fans—say a word or two on the matter.

I am strongly of the opinion that "first-come-first-served" is basically the fairest method of entry to any sports event. BUT, and this is something which local critics have ignored, stadia have no elastic sides and there is always the risk that those who do NOT come first . . . and do NOT get in, might—in their

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GOOD SELECTION OF RUGGER GAMES THIS AFTERNOON

By "PAK LO"

This afternoon rugger fans have a good selection of games on both sides of the harbour. Out at Kai Tak the RAF play the Navy after the Police have played the Army in the Pentagonal Tournament. On the Hongkong side the Club play the Gunners in a friendly preceded by the Club "B" playing the Seventh Royal Tanks.

As there is also an Air Display at Kai Tak, all rugger fans are requested to use the Palisade Gate, as they will otherwise be unable to get through to the rugger pitch.

At Kai Tak the first game, which begins at 3 p.m., will be between the Police and the Army. The Police have not been able to put in any training this week but should, however, hold the Army in the first half. The lack of training should tell in the second half and the Army should then overwhelm them.

The Navy have the heavier pack and an expert hooker in Owen and they should for this reason get the larger share of the ball in the scrums. And this should become the turning point of the game.

However, the RAF have of late been playing a very hard and fast game, and they may just upset the Navy, but on paper they definitely prefer the Navy to win especially after the neat way in which they trounced the Army last week.

SOOKUNPOO GAMES

On the other side, down at Sookunpoo, the curtain-raiser will be Club "B" against Seventh Royal Tanks at 2.30 p.m. The Tanks have not yet been seen in action this season but they had a very good, strong and fast team last season and should give Club "B" something to think about.

Club "B" now have a good, strong threequarter line, but their pack still has far too many weak points in it. They are particularly weak in their catching and passing back from the lineouts.

There is, however, much more weight in their pack this week and the Tanks will not find it so easy to push them off the ball as their last opponents did. The Tanks, if up to last season's standard, should win comfortably.

The second game, which is between the Club and the Gunners, starts at 4 p.m. The Club have called back yet another old player in De Rome, whilst Forsgate has again dropped out of the team.

The Club has also promoted Pink, the 2nd XV hooker, and will try him out against the Gunners. He is a good, but young, hooker and whether he can stand up to the rough and tumble of 1st XV game remains to be seen. Personally I think a little longer with the second fifteen would have done him more good.

The rest of the team remains unchanged, and it is to be hoped that there will be a bit more fire in their attack this week.

The Gunners are also putting out a good fifteen, but they have not as yet had enough time to settle down into a regular team, and for this reason I think the Club should win.

Certainly the Club on paper look the stronger side in almost every aspect of the game as they are, of course, considered to be the equal of the Army et al. but last year's spirit seems to be lacking in the team and once they are on the wrong end of the score they seem to lose heart and go to pieces.

So for the Gunners to win they must score early in the game before the Club, otherwise the Club will steamroller over them.

THE TEAMS

Police—MacDonnell, McNiven, Russell, Brown, Nash, Woodhouse, Argyle, Daniel, Downie, Gunnington, Shelley, Clark, Bryan, Carpenter, Kent.

Army—Collins, Bowen, Gerard, Danglefield, Paine, Brentford, Argyle, Daniel, Downie, Bell, Farthing, Gilson, Ferry, Whitehead, Guntown.

Navy—Grosble, Bateman, Williams, Davis, Grinnell, Smith, Sherman, Hew, Owen, Paine, Hall, Prescott, Jones, Wikeley, Thomas.

RAF—Hunt, Parker, Gammon, Balderson, Sutcliffe, Milson, Hewitt, Davis, Saunders, Griffiths, Davidson, Donald, Ramshaw, Chapman.

Club—Henderson, Ewart, Craig, Turville, Cole, Ross, Leader, Hargreaves, Pink, Barker, Farquharson, Douglas, Petrie, De Rome, Lambert.

Gunners—Gardner, Michie, Wright, Gilley, Horner, Atoe, Farquharson, Leacock, Reid, Brown, Sharp, Fould, O'Kelly, Valence, Wood.

SPORTS SURVEY

By "ALL-ROUNDER"

Heart of Midlothian, the famous Edinburgh football club, managed by the equally famous Tommy Walker, have received an offer to tour South Africa next summer—and have turned it down.

Financially the offer was generous, but it would have imposed too long a physical strain on the players. One result of Hearts' 7-0 defeat at West Ham was that Manager Walker met Ted Drake and the annual fixture with Chelsea is to be revived—probably on the Eve of the Hampden International next April.

When the appointed referee failed to turn up for an amateur match in Blackburn (Lancs) the other day an official of one of the clubs was asked to take charge. For a time things went nicely. Then there was a goalmouth scramble, a trip and the deputy referee awarded a penalty amid silence. When he reached the spot he astonished everyone by saying: "No, it wasn't worth a penalty really" and "dropped" the ball.

The boy is at it again! Playing for Longshaw United in the Mill Lane League (Lancs) against Little Harwood Boys' Club he notched his fifth "hat trick" of the season. The previous match his personal tally was seven and he has scored 24 in five games.

Jack Haines, former England international inside forward, recently transferred from Bradford to Rochdale, has played for Evesham Town, Cheltenham Town, Liverpool, Swansea Town, Leicester City and West Bromwich Albion.

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On Wednesday we shall welcome back the Djurgarden team in a game against "All

Also on . . . The other games on programme today are: Club vs. Kwong Wah at Causeway Bay. CAA vs. Police at Boundary Street. St. Joseph's vs. Kitchee at Caroline Hill.

Of Camell and Falconer are back in the Club line-up they will make Kwong Wah fight all the way for the points . . . and we may see a real surprise result.

Police should overcome the fiftal CAA in a game where the power of Hughes and Wakefield and the goalkeeping skill of Au Chi-yin should be the deciding factor.

The Athletics have lost a lot of their early season promise and as long as they persist in playing "football" they will find it hard to improve their position.

Over at Caroline Hill, Kitchee should have no trouble in disposing of luckless St. Joseph's whose defence is losing far too many goals to give them even an outside chance.

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ARMY PLAY OPTIMISTS AT SOOKUNPOO THIS AFTERNOON By "THE ZOMBIE"

Army and Scorpions this afternoon resume their rivalry in the race for Cricket League honours, after having postponed their match against each other last week.

League-leading Army are at home to the Optimists in what should be the best match of the week, while second-placed Scorpions will entertain the giant-killing Craigenower XI.

From the line-ups of the four teams and their recent form it looks as if much of the Scorpions' chance of narrowing the eight-point gap between them and Army will depend on their teammates, the Optimists.

Whereas the Scorpions are fielding their best team available, Craigenower will be without two of their regular players, Saunders and Ragi.

In their last four matches the Scorpions have scored 736 runs for the loss of only 21 wickets, averaging just a little over 35 runs per wicket.

Against this consistent batting and wider range of reliable batsmen it will take some inspired bowling by Craigenower to keep their opponents from knocking up 150 runs, at any time.

The Craigenower batting slumped badly in their last two outings, and the task of putting up the runs was shouldered

mainly by George Souza with a little backing from K. Y. Tam, Harry Madar and Colledge.

Souza has undoubtedly been the most consistent batsman so far in the League this season and has still to be dismissed for a score of under 20 runs.

The first to reach 300 runs this season, Souza could have easily increased his aggregate but for the fact that he was time and again called upon not only to keep up the batting machine but also the rate of scoring.

With an even weaker team out this afternoon, and with the Scorpions enjoying a slight superiority in the bowling department, the decision should go to the HKCC team by a comfortable margin unless Souza comes up with another century knock or left-hand bowler Billimoria with a re-

petition of his performance last week.

MORE DIFFICULT

Army may have a little more difficulty in overcoming the Optimists than Scorpions should encounter with Craigenower. The Optimists missed Arthy badly in most of their matches and still have to find a suitable opening bat to partner Kilbee.

They are, however, still a batting side to be reckoned with and Army will do well not to take the risk of taking first loss of the wicket should they win the toss.

Army's chances of at least maintaining a good margin of lead on their closest rivals should be further increased by the inclusion of right-arm spin bowler Packenham-Walsh to strengthen their already formidable attack.

Recreio, who are almost as well-placed as Scorpions to challenge Army, will face Navy with a little uneasiness this afternoon. One reason is that they will have to include at least four junior players in their team and another is that they will be up against a Navy team of unknown capability.

Sadler and Agar were well among the runs last week, Sadler a little lucky but Agar a more reliable and steady bat. The Navy batting is comparatively much weaker than their bowling.

In Brice, Short, Sims and Price the Navy have four very useful medium to medium-fast bowlers who can do a great deal of damage. A win for Recreio is expected although they will have to be extremely careful to keep the runs down should the sailors bat first.

The return to form of Dodge of KCC last week, when he scored 88 not out, was welcome news. Wood, too, came through with a fine knock of 54 not out.

These good knocks are just what the KCC need at the moment and should give them back their much-needed confidence in their game against IRC this afternoon.

The Indians still have to get out of the rut of drawn matches with more forceful play. The two excellent successive innings of 78 and 57 by hard-hitting J.C. Koh should provide them with a good solution to their trouble, which is mainly inability to score in front of the wicket.

Another drawn match is not unlikely, but let us hope that at least a close finish will be seen.

TODAY'S GAMES

First Division
Army v Optimists
Scorpions v CCC
Navy v Recreio
IRC v KCC
University v RAF (Postponed)
Second Division
KGV School v Dockyard
DBS v Navy
KCC v University
Recreio v IRC (Postponed)
TOMORROW
Inter-hong match
Jardines Dockwells
Second Division
Police v Army

ARSENAL v. BOLTON



Lishman, the Arsenal inside-left, hooks the ball over Hanson, the Bolton goalkeeper, to score Arsenal's second goal at Highbury. Arsenal won 4-3.

LEAGUE CRICKET AVERAGES

FIRST DIVISION

BATTING

(Qualification — 100 runs)

	Inn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Aver.
T. A. Pearce (Scorpions)	4	1	70	180	60
G. A. Souza (CCC)	7	1	111	330	56
L. De Cruz (Army)	6	2	99	151	37.7
I. Stanton (Scorpions)	6	1	91	182	30.4
L. Agar (Navy)	4	0	86	145	36.2
H. Owen-Hughes (Scorpions)	6	2	37	138	24.5
A. R. Kitchell (IRC)	6	2	58	133	33.2
J. C. Koh (IRC)	7	1	70	187	31.1
LAC Armstrong (RAF)	7	2	75	155	31
R. W. Franklin (Optimists)	6	0	69	177	29.5
T. G. C. Knight (Scorpions)	6	0	55	169	28.1
P. V. Dodge (KCC)	7	1	38	137	26.2
P. Wood (KCC)	7	1	54	134	22.3
L. Kilbee (Optimists)	6	0	40	131	21.8
B. P. Dhaner (CCC)	5	0	39	108	21.2
L. Farmer-Wright (Army)	5	0	37	100	20
LAC Healey (RAF)	7	1	30	110	18.3
K. Y. Tam (CCC)	7	0	33	121	17.3
LAC West (RAF)	7	0	40	109	15.6

* Not out.

BOWLING

(Qualification — 10 wickets)

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Aver.
L/Cpl. Dowling (Army)	55	10	174	29	6
K. G. Spink (Optimists)	59.7	12	135	10	8.4
L/Sgt. Brice (Navy)	35	11	93	11	8.5
G. Saunders (CCC)	32.4	0	89	10	8.9
A. P. Pereira (Recreio)	50	7	131	14	9.3
T. G. C. Knight (Scorpions)	25.5	0	102	10	10.2
LAC Horsham (RAF)	46.4	0	243	23	10.6
G. A. Souza (CCC)	50.2	10	132	12	11
G. N. Gosano (Recreio)	65.5	5	241	21	11.5
T. P. Mehon (Optimists)	50.2	9	173	15	11.5
P. J. Billimoria (CCC)	50.1	8	159	13	12.2
J. C. Koh (IRC)	57.4	9	253	20	12.6
F/Lt. Sappard (RAF)	53	13	148	10	14.8
B. Carnell (KCC)	44.1	2	100	10	16
L. Stanton (Scorpions)	45.5	5	221	13	17
S. M. Teh (HKU)	55.4	10	326	18	18.1

Five Exhibition Matches For Malayan Shuttlers By "ARGONAUT"

The Hongkong Badminton Association will not take sides in the controversy between Wong Peng-soon and his touring team and the Badminton Association of Malaya and will adopt an attitude of not being in a position to judge who is in the right or who is in the wrong.

In the absence of any official communication from the Malayan Badminton Association, the HKBA feels that it cannot but treat Wong and his team as guests again, and will accede to the request by the Mayflower team to stage five exhibition matches in Hongkong.

These decisions were reached by the Hongkong Badminton Association at their Emergency Executive Committee Meeting held recently.

Arrangements have now been made for Wong and his team to play all the five matches at the newly opened Macpherson Stadium in Kowloon. Three of these matches will be played on December 3, 6 and 8. All the proceeds of the third night's game will be distributed equally between the Anti-T. B. Association and the Tung Wah Group Hospital's Fund.

In addition there will be two special matches for Schoolchildren on the afternoons of December 5 and December 9.

Meanwhile the tempo of the controversy between the touring team and the Malayan Badminton Association has toned down considerably in Malaya during the past two weeks as interest shifted to the Inter-State Fong Seng Cup final between Penang and Selangor last week.

There seemed to be a general feeling that both the BAM and the touring team have erred in one way or another and that a round table talk to smooth out differences and misunderstandings would be more constructive approach.

Without Piruz and Lim Koon-yam, Selangor failed to retain their Fong Seng Cup title, losing to Penang by the narrow margin of 4-5. Of interest to Hongkong badminton players and fans, however, is the fact that Selangor was represented in the singles by two Schoolboy players, one of whom was Oon Cheng-telik, the Malayan Schoolboys' Champion who was seen in action in Hongkong on a few occasions in the past two years.

How fast Oon has improved is shown by the fact that he extended his Malaya's famed Thomas Cup, Ooi Telk-hock, to three hard-fought sets. After losing the first set, Oon staged a whirlwind offensive game in the second and had Telk-hock baffled with a barrage of body-line smashes and net flicks to win by 15-5.

Even despite his youth, Oon could not maintain his attacking game in the third set and conceded the match to a more experienced player, Oon similarly extended another Malaya Thomas Cupper, Lee Hoo-Chye, in the other singles game, winning the second set 15-1.

GOOD NEWS

Coming back to local badminton news, I am sure clubs will be glad to hear that the overdue Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held on Monday, December 7. Still more pleasant news, especially to clubs which are in desperate need of home courts for their League matches, is that keen interest has been shown by the Children's Playground Association officials in putting the Macpherson Stadium at the disposal of the

Association for League matches or practice games by clubs at nominal rentals.

Should utilization of this stadium be possible, it will save a great number of postponements in the forthcoming League schedule.

Last week I mentioned the fact that the Colony Open Schoolboys' and Schoolgirls' Championships will begin very soon. I have been informed since then that entry forms will

be sent out to the various sportsmasters and sportsmistresses some time next week. All schoolboys and schoolgirls who wish to participate in the Championships should see their sportsmasters or sportsmistresses about entering their names by the end of next week.

There will be an additional division this year, to be called the "C" Division. This will be limited to students who are below 15 years of age and below five feet in height.

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H. MIBA,
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THE HEAVYWEIGHTS MEET TO DISCUSS FARM MACHINERY

By ARCHIE QUICK

One of the strangest gatherings in modern sport took place in Sussex last week-end. There sat down to lunch boxing manager John Simpson and heavyweights Don Cockell, Jack Gardner and Johnny Williams.

What was so strange about it? Well, Cockell is the reigning Champion and the other two, both former holders of the title, are bent on recapturing it. And, to add to the strangeness, Cockell and Gardner are stablemates under the managership of Mr Simpson!

What is more, each of the three boxers is now a fully-fledged farmer—Cockell near Bexhill (Sussex), Gardner near Market Harborough and Williams just outside Rugby. The long arm of coincidence is not yet finished. John Simpson has bought a farm near his native Basingstoke!

Their kindred calling brought them together and it was pigs and poultry, cows and calves they discussed rather than right hooks and knock outs. But the three heavyweights were giving the manager advice for a change for he is a tyro at the farming game, and they were suggesting to him the best machinery etc. to buy.

PECULIAR SITUATION

But a peculiar situation is being woven. Cockell, Gardner and Williams are unquestionably the three outstanding heavies in Britain and they must meet among each other in the near future.

It will be Gardner versus Williams in renewed conflict as a final eliminator, and you will remember that it was Johnny who took the title from Jack in the "Blood Bath of Leicester". Cockell, in turn, deprived Williams of it in a second

surprise contest, but the two champions, Cockell and Gardner, have never met. Will they?

Mr Simpson is indeed on the horns of a dilemma. Which corner would he operate in? He told me outright at Bexhill that he would not only be in neither corner but he would certainly not attend the fight.

What are the strengths of the three? Williams is undoubtedly the best boxer, but ill-equipped with "killer" spirit and always apprehensive although he has the ability to "go to the top of the heap."

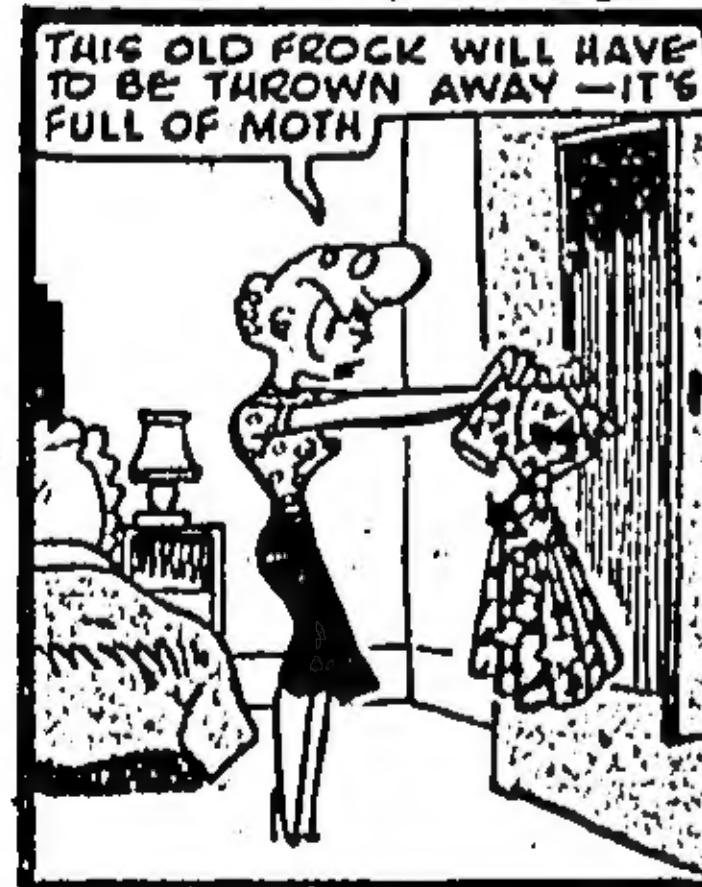
Gardner is the heaviest puncher but always throws his blows when off balance, and loses a lot of effect.

Cockell, handicapped by overweight and stockiness, overcomes these handicaps by his will to win.

Who is my fancy to emerge as Champion out of this triangular contest? Gardner, if he learns to punch correctly.

But unlike the fighters of old not one of the three has his heart in the game and British boxing suffers as a result. Cockell, Gardner, and Williams are only in boxing with a means to an end — to obtain enough money to set up as farmers in a big way.

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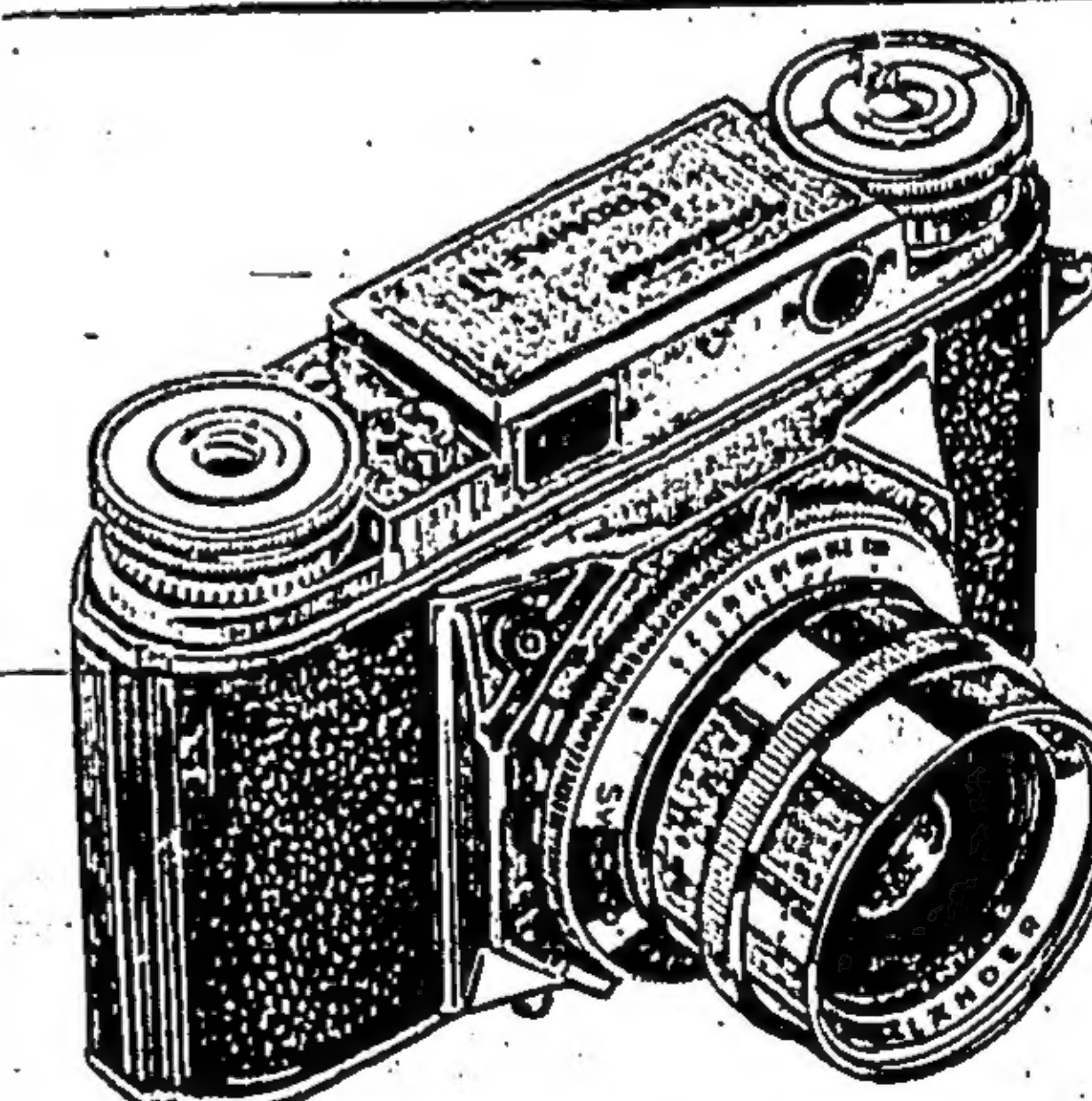
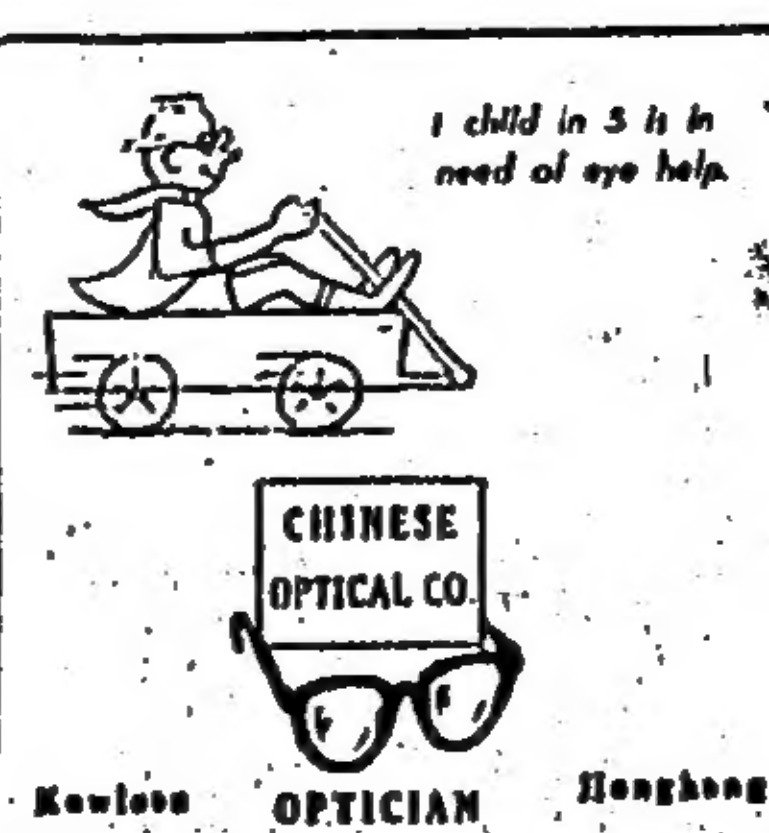
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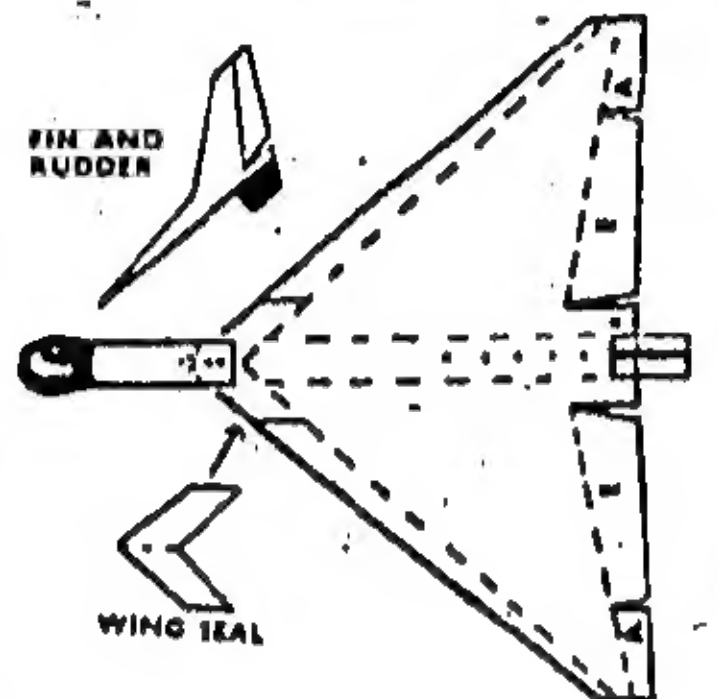
NOW FLY YOUR OWN PLANE

by EDWARD G. SMETTEM

A PLANE that really flies? Here it is, made from a matchstick. It is a model of the Avro Vulcan jet, and it was specially designed for readers of this page.

Follow the instructions, and then when your plane is ready launch it catapult-fashion from the "flight deck" you learned how to make in the China Mail of October 10—from a strip of three-ply wood with an elastic band fixed in a slot in one end. Now this is how to make the plane:

Trace the three actual sized parts on to stiff paper, and cut out without creasing.



Make a small cut into the apex of the wing down to the dotted line, and after bending down the front edges of the wing to an angle of 45 degrees, glue the seal over the apex of the delta.

Make four cuts into the rear of the wing for "elovon" flaps. Lay a match on the plan and mark off position for front and rear notches to hold the wing and cut with a sharp penknife. Glue the wing parts which go into the notches, and insert the rear of wing first. Press the

notches on to the glued wing when in position. Next cut the vertical notch at the rear end of the match to take the "heel" of the rudder, with the fin resting on the five spots of glue shown on the wing centre.

When all is dry, she's ready to fly. Turn up to just under 45 degrees the elevator-sections (marked E) and leave the ailerons (A) set at neutral.

Launch first at slow speed. Correct tendency to bank by turning down a fraction the aileron on the falling wing, and up on the opposite wing.

Turn only with rudder, set to desired direction.

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2. HOW TO PLAY

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4. The mounties must corner the convict to win.

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Cowboy Belongs to West But Origin Is Surprising

By HAROLD GLUCK

OUR hero has fired the last bullet in his six-shooter. His rifle is useless because the firing pin was destroyed. Now he faces the foe with courage in his heart.

"Before I kill you," taunts Chief Rain-on-the-Head, "who are you?" "I am a cowboy," replies the lone white man as he watches the tomahawk and 80 other redskins.

"A what?" asks a puzzled Indian chief.

"Want me to explain?" says our hero who sees a chance to save his life. "Go ahead, white man," says the redskin. "My secretary is ready to take it all down. But make it clear. My people want to know just what a cowboy is."

The cowboy has been known by different names. He has been called a "cowpuncher," a "puncher," a "buckaroo," a "buckaroo," a "cowhand," and a "hand." Now to all this you can add his slang names, such as "leather-puncher," "cow-prod," "saddle stuf" or "ranahan." When the rodeo comes to town people add such expressions as "bronco buster" and "bronco peeler."

Whether the hero in a fiction story can fall deeply in love with a "bull nurse," a "buckaroo" or a "cowman" is open to question.

HARDY PEOPLE

Offhand, it sounds very simple to work out the origin of the expression "cowboy." Somewhere, it should seem logical, in the great wide West of America, our hero as a young boy took care of a cow, and became a cowboy.

But the fact remains, that in pre-Revolutionary days, the idea of the cowboy was born. We have in existence a letter written about 1750 by one of Braddock's officers. He describes the men on horseback who drive their herds of cattle.

He makes this comment: "The Cow-Pen Men are hardy people, are almost continually on horse-back, being obliged to know the haunts of their cattle." And during the U. S. Revolutionary War there were tough gangs of cowboys. Actually most of them were Tory refugees and they stole many cattle.

Even Cameron and his boys became known as "cowboys." Things were not so good in Texas as Santa Anna's troops on the one hand, and the Indians on the other. So each district organized its ranger company, ready to spring upon lawless horses, and with their rifles go to the rescue.

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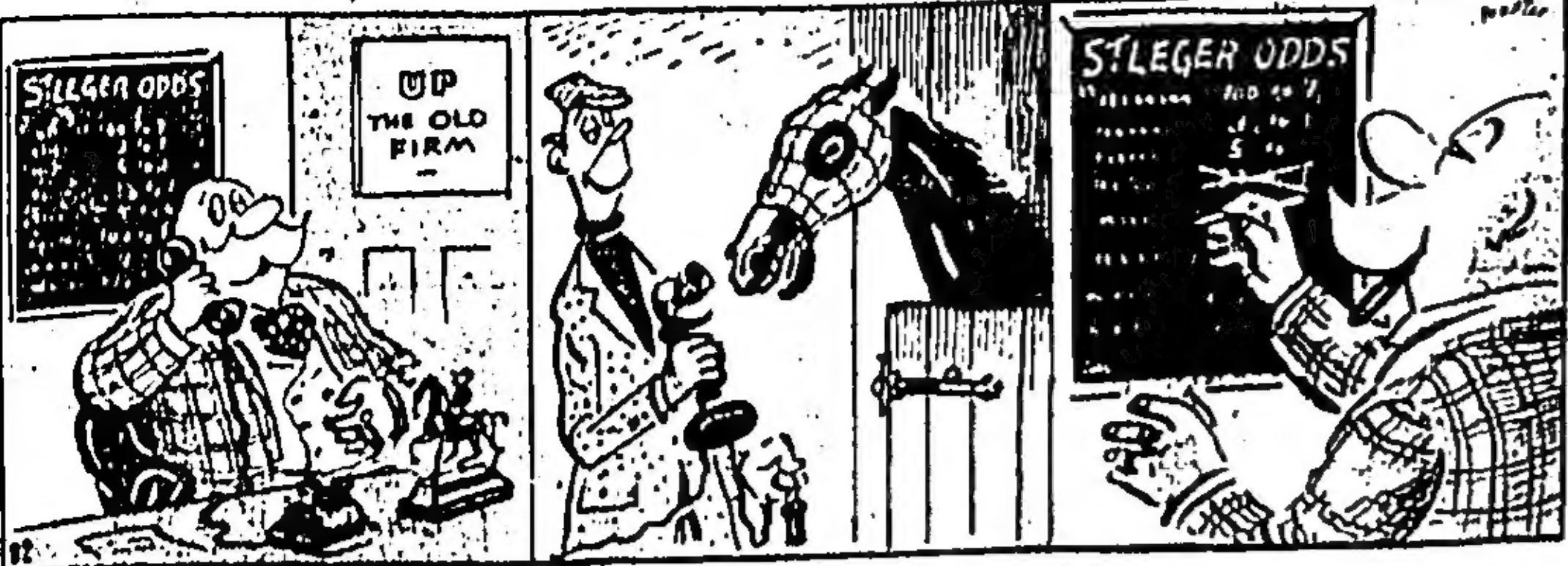
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Colonel UP and Mr. DOWN ... by Walter



JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Weird Opening, But It Had a Plan

By OSWALD JACOBY

NORTH'S bid of three clubs in today's hand may seem a little weird, but it was actually quite clear at the time. Most experts use a response of three clubs after an opening bid of two no-trump to ask for a biddable major suit. (It is part of the Stayman Convention, which usually begins with an opening bid of one no-trump and a response of two clubs for the same purpose.) South duly showed his biddable heart suit, and North thereupon raised to game.

The Stayman Convention is of doubtful value when the responding hand has 4-3-3-3 distribution, and this is especially true when the opening bidder likewise has the same distribution. South was certainly no better off at four hearts than he would have been at three no-trump.

Not wanting to lead away from his high cards, West opened a trump. South looked at the dummy with something like despair but roused himself enough to draw three

NORTH	
♠ 553	
♥ K J 10 9	
♦ 7 6 2	
♣ 10 9 3	
WEST	
♠ K J 10 4	
♥ 10 9 3	
♦ K J 10 3	
♣ Q 7	
EAST	
♠ 8 7 2	
♥ 4 2	
♦ 8 5 4	
♣ K J 10 5 2	
SOUTH (D)	
♠ A Q 9	
♥ A Q 8 3	
♦ A Q 9	
♣ A 8 4	
North-South vul.	
South West North East	
3 ♠ Pass 3 ♠ Pass	
3 ♥ Pass 4 ♥ Pass	
Pass Pass	
Opening lead—♥ 7	

rounds of trumps. He then cashed the ace of clubs and led a low club towards the ten.

West, rather naturally, put up the queen or clubs on the second round of that suit—and East made the fatal error of playing a low club. East should have overtaken with his king of clubs in order to cash the jack and then lead either a spade or a diamond.

When West was allowed to hold the trick with his queen of clubs, he found himself obliged to lead away from one of his kings. He chose to lead the jack of spades, and South won with the queen. Declarer promptly cashed the ace of spades and got out with the nine of spades. West had to win the trick and now had to strike a second blow in the opponent's cause.

West decided to lead a fourth spade, hoping that the ruff and sluff would do declarer no good. South ruffed the fourth spade in dummy, discarding the losing club from his own hand. He then led a low diamond from dummy and finessed the nine, putting West into the lead again.

End-played for the third successive time, West had to lead a diamond back to declarer's ace-queen, giving him a free finesse. "A very sound contract," West commented bitterly. "All you needed was three end-plays and an out-right gift!"

CARD SENSE

Q—With both sides vulnerable, the bidding has been: North East South West 1 Diamond Double 2 You, South, hold: Spades 5-5-3-2, Heart 8-6-3-2, Diamond 8, Clubs 7-6-4-3. What do you do?

A—Pass. You have every reason to be afraid, but you can do nothing to improve the contract. It would be the sheerest madness to take any action with so weak a hand.

TODAY'S QUESTION: The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades 5-5-3, Hearts K-Q-3, Diamonds Q-5-2, Clubs Q-7-6-4. What do you do?

Answer On Monday

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28

BORN today, you have a very rigid code of self-discipline and adhere to it, no matter how much you are criticised or assailed. You are an original thinker and will be criticised, no doubt, for your ideas. But if you hold to them you will find that eventually the rest of the world is coming around to your point of view! Your vindication will then spell success!

You have a deep love of nature and enjoy its beauties. There is something of the poet in your nature and since you have creative talent as well, it might express itself in literature, art, or music. Even if you do not become a professional you will be an excellent critic, since you are able to recognise the good and reject that which is inferior.

You enjoy travelling and will, probably visit most of the far places of the earth during your lifetime. Your ambitions are high and since you have confidence in your own ability, it is likely that you will go far.

Since your affections are near the surface, you should select a mate who is jolly and demonstrative as well as one who will give you the love and devotion which you crave and which keeps you emotionally in the mood to do your best work at all times. You do have artistic temperament, but have learned to curb it effectively whenever necessary.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Spiritual advice may prove very helpful. Attending the church of your choice could bring joy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If the week has left you more exhausted than usual, take time out to really catch up on your rest.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—A weighty family matter may depend upon some decision you will need to make. Use good judgment.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Attendance at the church of your choice will bring you new hope and revitalise your point of view.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Staying at home, if the weather turns out to be unfavourable, can prove more pleasant than you thought.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Mental and spiritual, as well as physical rest is vitally important for your welfare just at this time.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—See that you forget the troubles of the work-a-day week-end and change your attitude toward life.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—The quiet pleasures of home or some light entertainment appropriate to the day can bring happiness.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Listening to a good sermon might give you the spiritual and mental uplift that can prove highly important just now.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Invite a few close friends to spend the afternoon or evening with you. Plan for some good music.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Feed the spiritual hunger within you and you will discover that life can be very beautiful, indeed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—You might get started on your Christmas plans. They will work out better, if made well ahead.

BORN today, you are a bundle of temperament and talent but you must learn to control the former if you are to make a success of the latter. The stars have given you a touch of native genius but it must be rigidly nurtured and cultivated if it is to reach its fullest expression.

You are not one who can be poured into any conventional mould. Whenever the attempt is made, you break under the imposed restrictions and your work suffers. Complete freedom to do as you wish is the one answer to your problem. You have a quick temper and must learn to keep it under control, or you will say things that you later regret, but cannot retract.

You have a rollicking sense of humour and this should be put to good use. You have the gift of the written as well as the spoken word and can lecture as easily, it seems, as you can write.

You have a keen sense of justice and will want to see that everyone gets a square deal. You would be an enthusiastic protagonist of any cause in which you devoutly believe. However, you must guard against becoming a little fanatical. Learn to keep your emotional balance, even while championing some good cause.

Your affections are deep and your marriage should bring you real and lasting happiness and contentment.

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—This might be a good day to catch up on neglected correspondence. You won't receive letters if you don't write them!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—This is the last day of the month and may call for a revision of your budget. Attend to it now.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—If you are patient, what appears right now to be a setback, may turn out later to be really advantageous.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—If you can get downtown to the stores, why not get a few of the Christmas names crossed off the list?

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—You should be cheerful of energy. Get an early start and you will be surprised at the work you accomplish.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Be on your guard against deception, especially when it comes to business affairs. Be very astute today.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Don't be hasty in making a decision. Take all the time you need to think over all angles of a situation.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Optimism under all circumstances will get you further today than casting a deep gloom over everything!

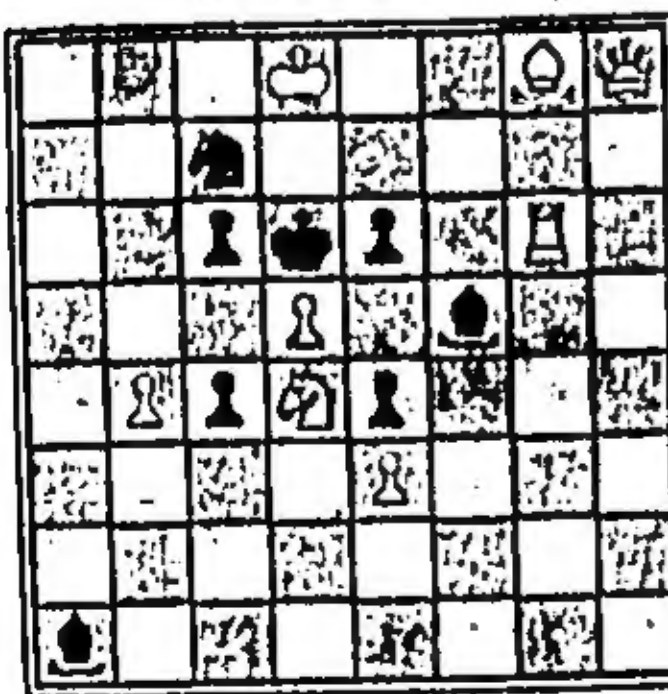
LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Reciprocate for some past favour. Or, if you are in need of help, accept it graciously, knowing you can return it later on.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Lots of energy is yours so finish up the old month with a bang and be ready to start the new one tomorrow.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—You can meet all the obligations which face you, so don't expend energy worrying about them.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Better not to wait too long before giving your Christmas list serious consideration. Start your shopping.

CHESS PROBLEM

By J. ZALDO
Black, 8 pieces.

White to play; mate in two.
Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. Q-K4, any; 2. Q, R, or Kt mates.

WHAT'S HIS LINE?

JAKE L. CRUMB

Rearrange the letters to spell his occupation.
(Solution on Page 20)

Record News:

THE "HOT" PIANO OF PAUL LINGLE

TO devotees of the "hot" piano, the name of Paul Lingle has the same impact as that of Arthur Schnabel or Vladimir Horowitz on the hep longhair.

Lingle has been pounding the keys around California since the sizzling 1920's, yet he has been a hard guy to pin down on recordings.

Good Time Jazz Records eventually persuaded Paul to enter their studios. So for the first time, the Lingle piano can be heard in the living room.

His long-play recording contains eight brilliant interpretations of jazz classics, including "Memphis Blues" and "Black Bottom Stomp."

Another school of piano fans has built up a following for Erroll Garner, whose style is very much different from Lingle's.

Erroll's new dance album for Columbia is a fine one. It is labelled "Erroll Garner Plays for Dancing" and features such terpsichorean delights as "Stompin' at the Savoy" and the oldie, "Sweet Sue."

Before getting off the subject of pianos, Joe ("Fingers") Carr's keyboarding of "Collegiate" for Capitol is one of the best of his recent singles.

There are so many "hit" vocals in the record shops these days that it would be a major project to list them. But among those worth special mention are Kitty Kallen's "Lonely" and "Heartless Heart" for Decca, "Not I" and "When Baby" by June Christy for Capitol and "Ricochet" and "Everyone Knows I Love You" by Gogi Grant for RCA-Victor.

Best "revival" of the week; "September Song" by David Rose and his orchestra for M-G-M.

—WILLIAM D. LAFFLER

BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

A MAJOR national scandal and catastrophe was only just averted at a recent Sunday concert to raise money for a charity. A performer was about to take the stage when the manager noticed that he was wearing sham eyebrows.

Knowing that the L.C.C. is still conducting what is called a "crusade" against sham eyebrows, false noses, and other theatrical props, for Sunday wear, the manager, for Sunday wear, the manager, and thus saved our national reputation for decency, decorum, and rational behaviour. The idea of using stage eyebrows to raise money for charity on a Sunday is so repellent to every human instinct that one longs to carry banners of protest along Whitehall. A dirty highway club or society on a Sunday night is, of course, another matter.

In passing

At Villafranca del Paredes there is an old palace of the Kings of Aragon. That, and the legend of my fight with a muleteer at near-by Monjos, were its claims to fame. Now there is another. Recently, during the wine-fair, the public fountains gushed wine, as all fountains should. Thicka used to colour the water at night, as at Aix la Chapelle (which

nobody on this earth will ever induce me to call Anchovy, show a guilty conscience. Talking of the fortunes of Hollywood stars have already led many of the ladies to substitute an inexpensive chemical Chablis for champagne in their swimming pools. Poor little rascals!

The heart of C. Suet. Esq. There should, by this time, be a dart.

Stuck, quivering, in Suet's heart. Did Cupid, when he took a pot, blunge this most important shot?

Suet's unscathed. Oh, can it be. The armour of bureaucracy blunts the swift barbs intended for

The heart of that colossal bore? And Mimsie? She will doubtless find

Better employment for her mind. When, robed and crowned, she plays her scene

In Stockport's Plastic Dustbin Queen.

Tail-piece

THOSE who are sensitive to noise will be cheered by the report that a noiseless atom-bomb has been exploded in Nevada.

DART WORDS

IN today's Dart-words you have to make your way from left to right, and then from top to bottom, to STEAK by rearranging the other 48 words in such a way that the relationship between any word and the one next to it is governed by one of six rules.

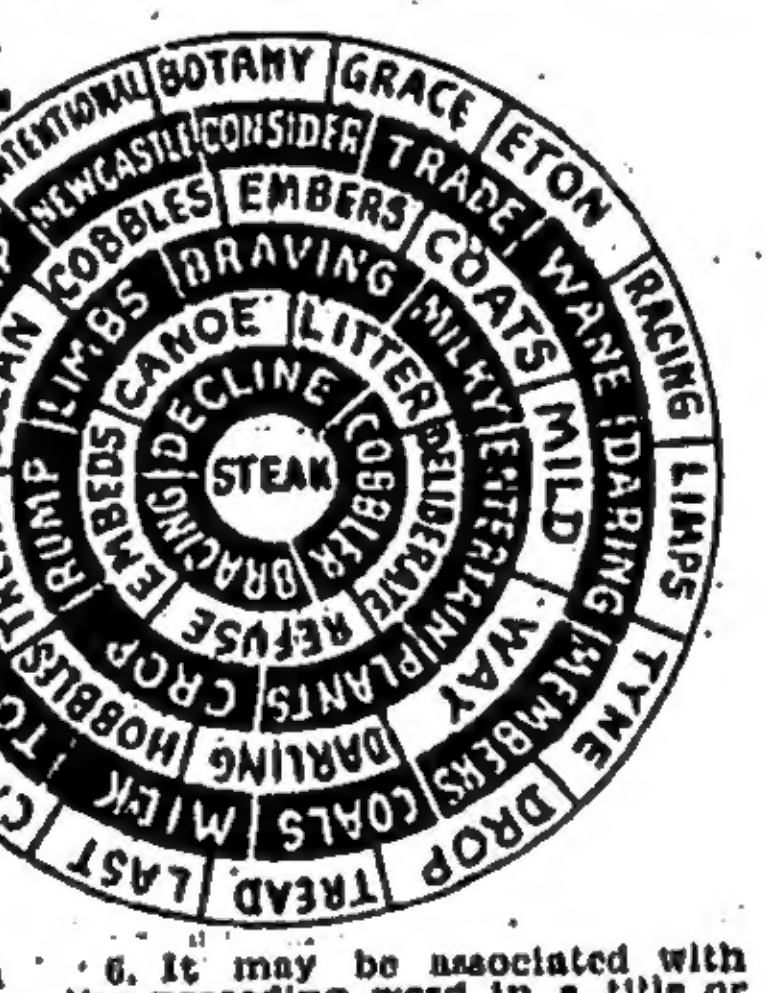
1. The word may be an anagram of the word that precedes it.

2. It may be a synonym of the word that precedes it.

3. It may be formed by adding one letter to, or subtracting one from, or changing one letter in the preceding word.

4. It may be associated with the preceding word in a saying, simile, metaphor, or association of ideas.

5. It may form with the preceding word a name of a well-known person, place, or thing in fact or fiction.

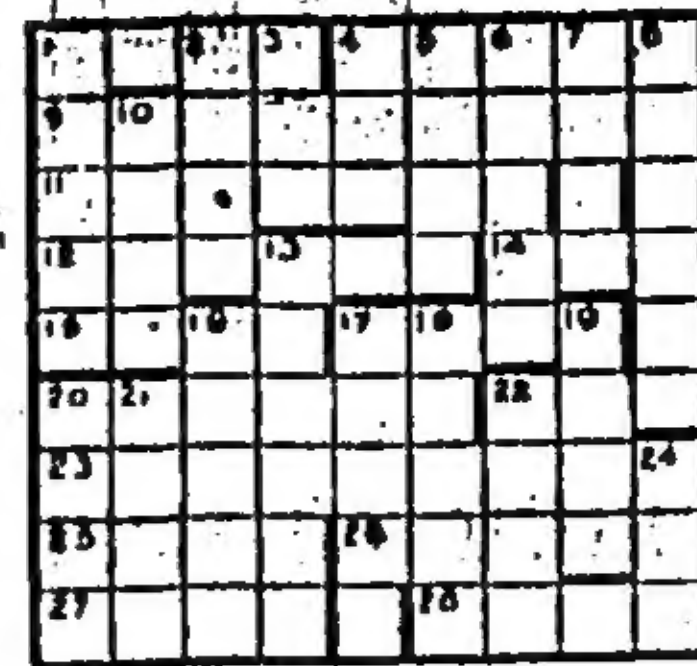


(Solution on Page 20)



"Ours was a gay, sparkling, whirlwind courtship until one day he proposed and she accepted him."

CROSSWORD



Across
1. Musical instrument from a tub (4)
4. Just the place for a circus. (5)
10. One of life's triangles. (9)
11. They may be your favourite (7)
12. Misako and a message. (8)
14. Greatest hall of 12 Arcades. (3)
16. Arthur's in Midlothian. (4)
17. It faced a robbery, at times. (4)
20. Something to the depot. (6)
22. Someone out on it at Camp town. (3)
23. Rites trap (anag.). (5, 4)
25. There's money in this. (4)
26. Waking up is the girl's dream. (3)
27. Test pilots, for instance. (4)
28. Give up. (4)

Down
1. True—and false apparently. (3)
2. Its head is sometimes on a sign. (4)
3. Bottom wore its head. (9)
4. Head by a cat. (3)
5. Broken one is well-known. (3)
6. ... Add 50 to 5 Down and you're a tree. (5)
7. Head. (4)
8. Something's gone from the (4)
9. As split by a medium distance (4)
10. Softly, softly, it's in the beer (4)
11. This went with the circus in Rome. (5)
12. Tourist Trophy is a see, possibly (3)
13. A deer from the pearls. (4)
14. Information, figuratively. (4)
15. Poem of endeavour in the grand manner. (4)
21. Without this, the sailor has nothing to stand on. (4)
24. Up thro' then go for a drive (3)

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